



# **BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for Android**

## **Development Guide**

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# What is the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK?

The BlackBerry Dynamics SDK provides a powerful set of tools that you can use to create secure productivity apps for a BlackBerry UEM domain. The SDK leverages the full capabilities of the secure BlackBerry Dynamics platform, so you can focus on building your apps rather than learning how to secure, deploy, and manage those apps.

The BlackBerry Dynamics SDK is available for all major development platforms. It allows you to leverage many valuable services, including secure communication, securing data in file systems and databases, inter-app data exchange, presence, push, directory lookup, single sign-on authentication, identity and access management, and more.

This guide will provide:

- Information about supported features
- Development requirements and prerequisites
- Instructions for installing, configuring, and using the SDK
- Considerations for key platform features
- Information about the sample apps provided with the SDK
- Testing and troubleshooting guidance
- Guidance for deploying your app

This guide is intended for intermediate and experienced developers with an understanding of how to create apps for the intended platform. It is not a basic tutorial.

## BlackBerry Dynamics API reference

The BlackBerry Dynamics SDK API reference describes the available interfaces, classes, methods, and much more. The API reference for each SDK platform is available at <https://developers.blackberry.com/us/en/resources/api-reference.html>.

## Key features of the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK

This section provides more information about key features of the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK. It does not detail the complete feature set. For more information about the full list of supported features and APIs, see the [BlackBerry Dynamics SDK API reference for your platform](#).

For more information about the requirements and prerequisites to support platform-specific features, see [Requirements and support for platform-specific features](#).

The implementation of some of the features discussed in this section will depend on how the UEM administrator has configured your organization's servers, network, and other infrastructure components. Contact the administrator to clarify whether there are components of a feature that are configured or managed using the management server.

### Activation

#### Infrastructure and enterprise activation

After a BlackBerry Dynamics app is installed on a user's device, the user must activate the app in order to use it. The activation process registers the app with the management server and gives the app access to the full capabilities of the BlackBerry Dynamics platform. The activation process ensures that all end users are fully authorized and permitted to use the app.

Users can activate a BlackBerry Dynamics app manually using an activation password, QR code, or access key provided by the administrator or obtained from UEM Self-Service, by using the UEM Client, through a third-party IDP, such as Active Directory or Okta, or by using the Easy Activation feature described below.

For more information about activating BlackBerry Dynamics apps, see the Activation section in the [GDAndroid class reference](#) or [GDiOS class reference](#) and [Managing BlackBerry Dynamics apps](#) in the UEM Administration content.

### Easy Activation

Easy Activation simplifies the process of activating multiple BlackBerry Dynamics apps on a user's device. With Easy Activation, a device user only needs to activate the first BlackBerry Dynamics app on their device; when the user installs additional BlackBerry Dynamics apps, the user can choose to delegate the activation process to the previously activated app. Any BlackBerry Dynamics app can be an activation delegate, but priority is given to the app that is configured as the [authentication delegate](#).

Easy Activation is automatically enabled for all BlackBerry Dynamics apps that are produced by BlackBerry. To enable Easy Activation for your custom BlackBerry Dynamics app, the UEM administrator must specify the app package ID (Android) or bundle ID (iOS) in the BlackBerry Dynamics app settings in the management console. Contact your organization's administrator to provide this information. For instructions for specifying the package ID or bundle ID for an app, see [Manage settings for a BlackBerry Dynamics app](#) in the UEM Administration content.

On the application side, Easy Activation is enabled by default by the BlackBerry Dynamics Runtime.

For more information, see the Easy Activation section in the [BlackBerry Dynamics Security White Paper](#).

### Programmatic activation

The programmatic activation feature enables a BlackBerry Dynamics app to activate without any user interaction and without displaying activation prompts or progress screens. This can be useful when targeting your apps to a consumer audience or for developing apps for devices that have limited or no means of user input.

For more information about programmatic activation, see `programmaticActivityInit` in the [BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for Android API Reference](#) or `programmaticAuthorize` in the [BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for iOS API Reference](#).

Note the following implementation details:

- Decide whether you want users to specify a password to unlock a BlackBerry Dynamics app after the initial activation. You can use programmatic activation while still requiring users to type a password to unlock the app. This setting is configured in a BlackBerry Dynamics profile in UEM.
- To activate the app, your application server must use the [BlackBerry Web Services REST APIs](#) to retrieve the user credentials and to generate an access key. You may need to create a new UEM user account or to lookup an existing user account. See the User resource in the [BlackBerry Web Services REST API reference](#) for the available REST APIs that can be used to create a user, lookup a user, and to generate an access key.
- Pass the user credentials to the app and call `programmaticActivityInit` or `programmaticAuthorize` with the retrieved credentials, setting `ShowUserInterface` to `false`.
- For Android, receive the broadcast event `GD_STATE_ACTIVATION_ACTION` to track activation progress from `NotActivated` to `InProgress` to `Activated`. You can choose to display a progress indicator during this short period.
- For iOS, observe `GDState.BBActivationState` to track activation progress from `NotActivated` to `InProgress` to `Activated`. You can choose to display a progress indicator during this short period.
- Once activation completes, the user is prompted to set a password (unless you've configured the BlackBerry Dynamics profile to not require a password). The app should wait for the `GD_STATE_AUTHORIZED_ACTION` notification.
- You can use `configureUI` ([Android/iOS](#)) to customize the UI of the password screen (for example, with a custom logo and colors).

## Secure storage

### Secure file system

BlackBerry Dynamics apps store data in a secure, encrypted file system. For more information, see [BlackBerry Dynamics File I/O Package](#) in the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for Android API reference, or [GDFileManager](#) and [GDFileHandle](#) in the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for iOS API reference.

### Secure SQL database

BlackBerry Dynamics apps can leverage a secure SQL database that stores and encrypts data on the user's device. The secure SQL database is based on the SQLite library.

For more information, see the BlackBerry Dynamics SQL Database page in the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK API reference ([Android/iOS](#)).

## Secure communication

The BlackBerry Dynamics platform enables secure data exchange between a BlackBerry Dynamics app on an end user's device and a back-end application server on the Internet or behind the enterprise firewall. Any communication through the enterprise firewall uses the secure BlackBerry Dynamics proxy infrastructure. One app can communicate with multiple application servers.

To learn more about the programming interfaces for secure communication, see [GDSocket](#) and [GDHttpClient](#) in the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for Android API reference, or [GDSocket](#), [GDURLLoadingSystem](#), and [NSURLSessionSupport](#) in the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for iOS API reference.

### AppKinetics

AppKinetics, or Inter-Container Communication (ICC), is a method for securely exchanging data and commands between two BlackBerry Dynamics apps on the same device. The exchange uses a consumer-provider model: one app initiates a service request that the other app receives and responds to as a service provider.

For more information about AppKinetics, see the [Inter-Container Communication Package](#) in the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for Android API reference, or [GDService](#) and [GDServiceClient](#) in the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for iOS API reference.

## Shared Services Framework

BlackBerry Dynamics apps can communicate with each other and application servers using the Shared Services Framework, a collaboration system that is defined by two components: one that provides a service and another that consumes the service.

The provider can be a client-side service, which is a BlackBerry Dynamics app that uses the [GDService](#) APIs ([Android/iOS](#)), or a server-side service that is provided by an application server or other remote system. The service is consumed by a BlackBerry Dynamics app that communicates with the provider using AppKinetics (a proprietary BlackBerry ICC protocol) for client-side services or a protocol such as HTTPS for server-side services.

The typical steps that are required to consume a service:

1. Service discovery: The BlackBerry Dynamics app (the consumer) queries for service providers using the [GDAndroid.getServiceProvidersFor](#) API or the [GDiOS.getServiceProvidersFor](#) API. Service discovery is optional but recommended for both types of services because it respects user entitlements and permissions.
2. Provider selection: The consuming app selects the provider. This is handled by the app code.
3. Service request: The consuming app sends a service request to the provider using the [GDServiceClient](#) API ([Android/iOS](#)) for client-side services or TCP sockets or HTTP over BlackBerry Dynamics secure communication ([Android/iOS](#)) for server-side services.
4. Service response: The consuming app receives the provider response using the same interface that was used for the request (the [GDServiceClient](#) API ([Android/iOS](#)) for client-side services or BlackBerry Dynamics secure communication ([Android/iOS](#)) for server-side services).



Client-side services can be used offline and are ideal if the service requires specific user interaction.

Server-side services can be provided by a clustered application server and are ideal if the server software already exists outside of the BlackBerry Dynamics platform.

Client-side and server-side services both require user entitlement in the management console.

If you want your custom BlackBerry Dynamics app to use the Shared Services Framework, the UEM administrator must specify the app package ID (Android) or bundle ID (iOS) in the BlackBerry Dynamics app settings in the management console. Contact your organization's administrator to provide this information. For instructions for specifying the package ID or bundle ID for an app, see [Manage settings for a BlackBerry Dynamics app](#) in the *UEM Administration Guide*.

Sample apps that are included with the SDK demonstrate how to use the Shared Services Framework. For more information about how to use the Shared Services Framework, see the following resources:

- [GDAndroid.getServiceProvidersFor](#)
- [GDiOS.getServiceProvidersFor](#)
- [GDService \(Android/iOS\)](#)
- [GDServiceClient \(Android/iOS\)](#)
- [BlackBerry Dynamics Service Definition \(Android/iOS\)](#)
- [Definitions and descriptions of published services](#)

Server-side services can use the Push Channel API ([Android/iOS](#)) to send notifications to BlackBerry Dynamics apps. The channel is end-to-end secure at the same level as BlackBerry Dynamics secure communication. As a result, the BlackBerry Dynamics app does not need to poll the application server, which decreases the load on both the app and the application server. Any application server that is a service provider can use the Push Channel.

## Data Leakage Prevention

The BlackBerry UEM administrator can use Data Leakage Prevention (DLP) settings in BlackBerry Dynamics profiles (UEM) to configure data protection standards, including enabling or disabling copy and paste between BlackBerry Dynamics apps and non-BlackBerry Dynamics apps, screen captures, dictation, FIPS, and more.

Contact your organization's administrator to configure DLP standards as necessary for your custom BlackBerry Dynamics apps.

Note the following for the different platforms of the SDK:

SDK platform	Notes
BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for Android	<p>The SDK provides the following classes to manage the secure copy, cut, and paste of data. These classes are replacements for the equivalent standard Android classes. The <a href="#">secure copy-cut-paste</a> sample app demonstrates uses of the secure clipboard and the secure widgets.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">com.good.gd.content.ClipboardManager</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">com.good.gd.widget.GDTextView</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">com.good.gd.widget.GDEditText</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">com.good.gd.widget.GDAutoCompleteTextView</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">com.good.gd.widget.GDMultiAutoCompleteTextView</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">com.good.gd.widget.GDSearchView</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">com.good.gd.widget.GDAppCompatTextView</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">com.good.gd.widget.GDAppCompatCheckedTextView</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">com.good.gd.widget.GDAppCompatAutoCompleteTextView</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">com.good.gd.widget.GDAppCompatMultiAutoCompleteTextView</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">com.good.gd.widget.GDAppCompatEditText</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">com.good.gd.widget.GDAppCompatSearchView</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">com.good.gd.widget.GDWebView</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">com.blackberry.bbwebview.BBWebView</a></li> </ul> <p>The widget classes starting with "GDAppCompat" are replacements for the corresponding <a href="#">Android AppCompat widgets</a>.</p> <p>Due to current DLP controls, the <code>setOnReceiveContentListener</code> method is not supported in the components and widgets listed above.</p>

### Automatic widget substitution in AppCompatActivity apps

Apps that use AppCompatActivity with a theme derived from AppCompatActivity can use the following to install the provided GDAppCompatActivityInflater in their theme:

```
<item name="viewInflaterClass">com.good.gd.app.GDAppCompatActivityInflater</item>
```

When this is installed, widgets that are defined in layout files are automatically replaced by their GDAppCompatActivity equivalents. For more information, see the [com.good.gd.widget API documentation](#).

### User authentication

BlackBerry UEM offers the following options to adjust the user experience for accessing BlackBerry Dynamics apps.

#### Fingerprint and biometric authentication

Various forms of biometric authentication are supported by the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK, including fingerprint authentication and for Android and Touch ID and Face ID for iOS. The BlackBerry UEM administrator can use a BlackBerry Dynamics profile (UEM) to enable biometric authentication. Contact your organization's administrator to enable and configure these features.

For more information, see [BlackBerry Dynamics and Fingerprint Authentication](#).

#### Authentication delegation

The BlackBerry UEM administrator can configure up to three BlackBerry Dynamics apps on users' devices to act as an authentication delegate (a primary, secondary, and tertiary delegate). When a user opens any BlackBerry Dynamics app, the device will display the login screen of the authentication delegate app. After the user logs in successfully, all of the BlackBerry Dynamics apps on the device are unlocked. The user does not need to enter a password again until the idle timeout is reached.

If you want your custom BlackBerry Dynamics app to be an authentication delegate, the UEM administrator must specify the app package ID (Android) or bundle ID (iOS) in the BlackBerry Dynamics app settings in the management console. Contact your organization's administrator to provide this information. For instructions for specifying the package ID or bundle ID for an app, see [Manage settings for a BlackBerry Dynamics app](#) in the *UEM Administration Guide*.

The administrator configures one or more authentication delegate using a BlackBerry Dynamics profile. It is a best practice to configure the most commonly used app as the authentication delegate. Contact your organization's administrator to configure one or more authentication delegates.

**Note:** If the administrator configures a secondary authentication delegate, the administrator must notify users that if they delete the primary authentication delegate app, the user must unlock the secondary delegate app and set the app password again so that it can be used to authenticate any additional BlackBerry Dynamics apps. The same requirement applies if a tertiary delegate is configured and the primary and secondary delegate apps are deleted.

### **Do not require a password**

Enabled using a BlackBerry Dynamics profile, this setting removes the password login for BlackBerry Dynamics apps. Users cannot choose whether to use a password.

Do not enable authentication delegation and this setting in the same profile or policy set. This feature is supported in UEM 12.7 or later. If the setting is enabled and then disabled at a later date, users are prompted to create a password the next time they log in to a BlackBerry Dynamics app.

You can use the `GDAndroid.getInstance().canAuthorizeAutonomously()` or `[GDiOS sharedInstance].canAuthorizeAutonomously` method to check if this feature is enabled. See the `GDInteraction` sample app (Android) or the `SecureStore` sample app (iOS) for examples of this method.

### **Bypass the app unlock screen**

Enabled in the UEM Client settings for a specific BlackBerry Dynamics app (UEM), this setting allows an app to completely bypass the password login screen.

For more information and programming guidance, see the [Bypass Unlock Developer Guide](#).

### **Background Authorize for iOS**

Background Authorize is a restricted API that allows a recently locked BlackBerry Dynamics app to use the principal [BlackBerry Dynamics APIs](#) (such as secure storage and secure communication) when the app is running in the background.

This feature can be useful in scenarios where the app has stopped unexpectedly and is started in the background in response to an APNS message (for example, a new email). If Background Authorize is enabled, the app can download new data and store it in the secure container. When the user brings the app to the foreground they can authorize and immediately access the data (for example, messages).

To access this restricted API, submit a request to the BlackBerry Dynamics Registrar program at [BlackBerryDynamicsRegistrar@blackberry.com](mailto:BlackBerryDynamicsRegistrar@blackberry.com).

For more information about this feature, see the [Background Authorize Developer Guide](#).

### **Background Authorize for Android**

[GDAndroid.canAuthorizeAutonomously](#) allows BlackBerry Dynamics apps to background unlock, receive state callback, and use credential-protected storage. The app can use `canAuthorizeAutonomously()` to check if it is possible to use background unlock, and if possible, authorize with `serviceInit()`.

## Administrative controls

The BlackBerry UEM administrator can use various server settings, policies, and profiles to manage BlackBerry Dynamics apps and ensure that app usage meets the organization's security standards. Consult with your organization's administrator to ensure that your custom apps adhere to the configured settings in the management console.

For more information, see [Controlling BlackBerry Dynamics on users devices](#), [Enforcing compliance rules for devices](#), and [Managing BlackBerry Dynamics apps](#) in the *UEM Administration Guide*.

You also have the option to add new management policies and settings that are specific to your custom BlackBerry Dynamics app to the UEM management console so that they can be configured and applied to users by UEM administrators. For more information, see [Adding custom policies for your app to the UEM management console](#).

## Advanced security features with CylancePROTECT Mobile

The BlackBerry Dynamics SDK integrates the CylancePROTECT library to support CylancePROTECT Mobile for UEM. CylancePROTECT is a licensed service that offers a suite of features that enhances UEM's ability to detect, prevent, and resolve security threats without disrupting the productivity of your workforce. CylancePROTECT is configured and managed by the UEM administrator. No additional development or integration effort is required if your organization wants to leverage the CylancePROTECT features for custom BlackBerry Dynamics apps.

CylancePROTECT uses a combination of advanced technologies, including:

- The cloud-based CylanceINFINITY service that uses sophisticated AI and machine learning to identify malware and unsafe URL
- The UEM server that provides a complete device management and compliance infrastructure for your organization
- BlackBerry apps that monitor and enforce security standards at the device and user level

The seamless integration of these technologies establishes a secure ecosystem where data is protected and malicious activities are identified at all endpoints and eliminated proactively.

CylancePROTECT includes the following features:

- Malware detection for Android apps (including BlackBerry Dynamics apps) that are uploaded to UEM for internal deployment
- Malware detection on Android devices
- Sideloaded app detection on iOS and Android devices
- Safe browsing with BlackBerry Dynamics apps
- Insecure network detection on iOS and Android devices.
- Insecure Wi-Fi access point detection on iOS and Android devices.
- Integrity checking for BlackBerry Dynamics apps on iOS devices using the Apple DeviceCheck framework
- Hardware certificate attestation for BlackBerry Dynamics apps on Android devices

For more information about CylancePROTECT, see the [CylancePROTECT Mobile for UEM documentation](#).

## Data collection and metrics with BlackBerry Analytics

BlackBerry Analytics is a cloud-based portal that you can use to view information about the BlackBerry Dynamics apps and devices that are used in your organization's environment. Previously, the BlackBerry Analytics

functionality was offered in a separate SDK that you could integrate with your BlackBerry Dynamics apps. In SDK version 8.0 and later, BlackBerry Analytics functionality is now included in the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK.

For more information about BlackBerry Analytics, see the [BlackBerry Analytics documentation](#). For more information about integrating BlackBerry Analytics with your BlackBerry Dynamics apps, see [Integrating BlackBerry Analytics](#).

# Requirements and support for platform-specific features

This section provides the software requirements for using the SDK, as well as prerequisites that are required to support platform-specific features. For more information, see the [BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for Android Development Guide](#).

## Software requirements

### Android development

Item	Requirement
Compatibility with previous versions of the SDK	<p>The BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for Android is compatible with these previous releases of the SDK:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 10.0.x</li><li>• 10.1.x</li><li>• 10.2.x</li><li>• 11.0.x</li><li>• 11.1.x</li><li>• 11.2.x</li><li>• 12.0.x</li></ul>
Supported Android OS	Android 11 or later
Target Android OS	Android 14
AndroidX libraries	<p>Your apps must use the AndroidX support libraries to compile successfully. The SDK supports the following minimum versions. It is recommended to use the latest stable version of each library.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• androidx.appcompat:appcompat:1.0.0</li><li>• androidx.cardview:cardview:1.0.0</li><li>• androidx.constraintlayout:constraintlayout:1.1.3</li><li>• androidx.core:core:1.0.0</li><li>• androidx.legacy:legacy-support-v4:1.0.0</li><li>• androidx.preference:preference:1.1.0</li><li>• androidx.recyclerview:recyclerview:1.0.0</li></ul>
Build requirements	<p>If the app project uses the SDK .jar distribution, load the shared libraries libsbgse.so and libgdndk.so.</p>
Google Play Services	<p>The SDK uses Google Play Services version 17.0.0 to support some of its functionality.</p> <p>If your app uses the following Google Play Services libraries, verify that you are using the following minimum version or later:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• com.google.android.gms:play-services-location:17.0.0</li><li>• com.google.android.gms:play-services-safetynet:17.0.0</li></ul>

Item	Requirement
Supported CPU architectures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ARMv7</li> <li>• ARMv8</li> <li>• x86</li> <li>• x86_64</li> </ul>
Java compatibility	Applications must be built using Java 17 or later.
Gradle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimum Gradle version: 8.0</li> <li>• Android Gradle Plug-in (com.android.tools.build:gradle): 8.1.1</li> </ul>
Character encoding for build files	Build files (for example, settings.json) must use UTF-8 character encoding. Verify that the editor that you plan to use does not add non-UTF-8 characters or headers. In general, Java does not work with UTF-8-BOM (byte order mark).
Supported launch modes	<p>Apps built with the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for Android support the following launch modes in AndroidManifest.xml:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• android:launchMode="standard"</li> <li>• android:launchMode="SingleTop"</li> <li>• android:launchMode="singleTask"</li> </ul>
BlackBerry Dynamics Launcher Library	<p>The BlackBerry Dynamics Launcher is a user-friendly interface that allows users to easily access and switch between BlackBerry Dynamics apps, configure app settings, and take advantage of other useful features. For more information, see the <a href="#">BlackBerry Dynamics Launcher Framework documentation</a>.</p> <p>The BlackBerry Dynamics SDK and the BlackBerry Dynamics Launcher Library are mutually dependent. See the <a href="#">BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for Android Release Notes</a> for the required version of the BlackBerry Dynamics Launcher Library.</p>
Restricted key prefix	The key prefix "blackberry" is reserved by BlackBerry and should not be used for key values, key attributes, or key elements. For more information and examples, see the <a href="#">Application Policies Definition</a> in the appendix of the API Reference.
Credential manager requirements	<p>Apps that will use the Credential Manager UI require the following updates:</p> <p>In the app level module of your Gradle file (app/build.gradle), in the dependencies section, add <code>implementation 'androidx.recyclerview:recyclerview:1.0.0'</code>.</p>

# Using an entitlement ID and version to uniquely identify a BlackBerry Dynamics app

BlackBerry Dynamics apps are uniquely identified by a BlackBerry Dynamics entitlement ID (GDApplicationID) and entitlement version (GDApplicationVersion). The entitlement ID and entitlement version are used to manage end-user entitlement in the management console. The values are also used for app publishing and service provider registration.

These values are specified in the assets/settings.json file for Android or in the Info.plist file for iOS.

You must define both the entitlement ID and the entitlement version for all of your BlackBerry Dynamics apps, regardless of whether you use the [Shared Services Framework](#). The same entitlement ID must be used to represent the app across all platforms.

For more information about setting and checking the entitlement ID and version, the proper format to use for these values, and other requirements and considerations:

- See the [GDAndroid Class reference](#) in the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for Android API Reference, especially these sections:
  - Identification
  - Indirect Authorization Initiation
  - void authorize (GDAppEventListener eventListener ) throws GDInitializationError
- See the [GDiOS Class reference](#) in the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for iOS API Reference, especially these sections:
  - Identification
  - Authorization
  - - (void) authorize: (id< GDiOSDelegate > \_Nonnull) delegate

## Relationship between the entitlement ID and version and native identifiers

The entitlement ID (GDApplicationID) and entitlement version (GDApplicationVersion) of a BlackBerry Dynamics app are different from the native identifiers that are required by the app OS platform. The native identifiers for Android are the packageName and packageVersion values in the AndroidManifest.xml file. The native identifiers for iOS are the CFBundleIdentifier and CFBundleVersion in the Info.plist file. The values of the entitlement ID and entitlement version and the platform native identifiers can be the same, but do not have to be.

To take advantage of BlackBerry Dynamics features such as [Easy Activation](#), [authentication delegation](#), [certificate sharing](#), the [Shared Services Framework](#), and more, the UEM administrator must specify the entitlement ID and version and the native identifier (package name or bundle ID) for a custom BlackBerry Dynamics app in the management console. For more information, see [Add an internal BlackBerry Dynamics app entitlement](#) and [Manage settings for a BlackBerry Dynamics app](#) in the *UEM Administration Guide*.

The native identifiers for your custom BlackBerry Dynamics app should be unique, especially with respect to apps that are available through public app stores. Duplicate native identifiers can prevent the proper installation or upgrade of an app.

You must change the native app version if you want to distribute a new version of the app. You only need to change the entitlement version if the app starts to provide a new shared service or shared service version, or if the app stops providing a shared service or shared service version.

## Specify the entitlement ID and entitlement version for your app

Specifying the entitlement ID and version for your app enables Inter Container Communication (ICC) and other BlackBerry Dynamics features.



Copy the **assets/settings.json** file from one of the sample apps that is included in the SDK and populate it with the configuration information for your BlackBerry Dynamics app, including the entitlement ID (GDApplicationID) and entitlement version (GDApplicationVersion).

You can also use this file to configure logging for the [Android Debug Bridge console](#).

### Sample contents of a settings.json file

```
{
  "GDLibraryMode": "GDEnterprise",
  "GDApplicationID": "com.yourcompany.appname",
  "GDApplicationVersion": "1.0.0.0",
  "GDConsoleLogger": [
    "GDFilterErrors_",
    "GDFilterWarnings_",
    "GDFilterInfo",
    "GDFilterDetailed"
  ]
}
```

### Using the entitlement version for the Shared Services Framework

For BlackBerry Dynamics apps that provide a service that is consumed by other BlackBerry Dynamics apps through the [Shared Services Framework](#), you should include the entitlement version in the app's AndroidManifest.xml file. This allows the SDK routines that work with the services to identify the required version of the service provider.

See the snippet below, or the AppKinectics sample apps, for examples of how to add the entitlement version to the AndroidManifest.xml file for the service-provider app. The GDApplicationVersion value must match the same value that you specified in assets/settings.json.

```
<manifest xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
  package="com.good.gd.example.appkinectics
  [...]
  <app
    [...]
    <meta-data android:name="GDApplicationVersion" android:value
    ="your_value_here"/>
  </app>
</manifest>
```

## FIPS compliance

It is a best practice to make your BlackBerry Dynamics apps compliant with U.S. Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) 140-2. The BlackBerry Dynamics SDK distribution contains FIPS canisters and tools.

The BlackBerry UEM administrator enables FIPS compliance using a BlackBerry Dynamics profile (UEM). If enabled, BlackBerry Dynamics apps must start in FIPS-compliant mode. The SDK determines whether a service is running in FIPS mode when the app communicates with the server to receive policies.

FIPS compliance enforces the following constraints:

- The use of MD4 and MD5 are prohibited. As a result, access to NTLM-protected or NTLM2-protected web pages and files is blocked.
- In secure socket key exchanges with ephemeral keys, with servers that are not configured to use Diffie-Hellman keys of sufficient length, BlackBerry Dynamics retries with static RSA cipher suites.

**Note:**

- When you enable FIPS compliance, user certificates must use encryption that meets FIPS standards. If a user tries to import a certificate with encryption that is not compliant, the user receives an error message indicating that the certificate is not allowed and cannot be imported.
- For iOS, when you build for testing with the x86 64-bit simulator, FIPS mode is not enforced. As a result, you might see a difference in behavior with the simulator compared to actual operation. BlackBerry recommends that you always test your app on actual iOS hardware and not rely exclusively on the simulation.

**FIPS-linking on Android**

When you build an app, the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK links for FIPS compliance automatically. No special directives are required. FIPS compliance is not supported on x86 emulators. If you want to test on x86 emulators, you must disable FIPS compliance.

To verify that FIPS has been included, verify that the following line is in the log output. This same line is printed at the start of the app launch:

```
IDeviceBase::initInstance: FIPS MODE REQUESTED
```

**Supported CPU architectures**

The BlackBerry Dynamics SDK includes the native libraries built for the ARMv7, ARMv8, x86, and x86\_64 CPU architectures. If you include the library project in your app, all of the ARMv7, ARMv8, x86, and x86\_64 libraries are included when your app is built. Unless you use `RuntimeIdentifier(s)` as described below, all library types will be included.

Consider the following:

- Including multiple CPU architectures can increase the size of the app.
- x86 and x86\_64 are supported for Android emulators as a faster alternative to ARM architectures. You may only want to include the x86 or x86\_64 library in test versions of your app that you want to run on an emulator.
- Ensure that your app build includes the native library for each CPU architecture that it uses. It is a best practice to exclude native libraries for architectures that the app does not use. If the included libraries do not match the architecture used by the app, you may experience issues when running the app. For example, if your app uses a native library `helloWorld_armv8.so`, the app build must include the BlackBerry Dynamics ARMv8 library, and it does not need to include the ARMv7, x86, or x86\_64 libraries.

You can specify the required CPU architectures using `RuntimeIdentifier(s)` in the `.csproj` file. For example, to include only ARMv7 libraries in your project:

```
<PropertyGroup Condition=" '$(Configuration)|$(Platform)' == 'Debug|AnyCPU' ">  
  <RuntimeIdentifier>android-arm</RuntimeIdentifier>  
</PropertyGroup>
```

**Requirements and prerequisites for Android platform features**

This section provides specific requirements or considerations to support features of the Android OS platform in your BlackBerry Dynamics apps.

## Support for Android for Work and Samsung Knox APIs

The SDK supports the Android APIs that were formerly part of Android for Work and Samsung Knox. No extra programming work is required for Android for Work or Samsung Knox to interoperate with the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for Android.

## Support for spannable text

The BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for Android supports copying and pasting [Spannable](#) text. The following Span objects are supported:

- [AbsoluteSizeSpan](#)
- [AlignmentSpan](#)
- [Annotation](#)
- [BackgroundColorSpan](#)
- [BulletSpan](#)
- [EasyEditSpan](#)
- [ForegroundColorSpan](#)
- [LeadingMarginSpan](#)
- [LocaleSpan](#)
- [QuoteSpan](#)
- [RelativeSizeSpan](#)
- [ScaleXSpan](#)
- [StrikethroughSpan](#)
- [StyleSpan](#)
- [SubscriptSpan](#)
- [SuggestionSpan](#)
- [SuperscriptSpan](#)
- [TextAppearanceSpan](#)
- [TypefaceSpan](#)
- [UnderlineSpan](#)
- [URLSpan](#)

## Supported TLS protocols and cipher suites

The SDK uses CURL 8.0.0, supporting the TLS protocols and cipher suites of TLS version 1.3.

# Steps to get started with the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK

Step	Action
1	<p>Use one of the following options to integrate the SDK:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Integrate the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK using Gradle</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Download and add the .aar files for the SDK libraries</a></li></ul> <p>It is a best practice to integrate the SDK using Gradle.</p> <p>Review the <a href="#">contents of the SDK</a>.</p>
2	<p>Consult the <a href="#">BlackBerry Dynamics SDK API reference</a> for instructions for implementing the desired features of the BlackBerry Dynamics platform.</p> <p>See the <a href="#">sample apps</a> included in the SDK package for examples of how to implement key features.</p> <p>For additional guidance and code examples, see the <a href="#">Getting started workflow for BlackBerry developers</a>.</p>
3	<p>Review the <a href="#">optional features of the SDK</a> to determine which ones you want to implement.</p>
4	<p><a href="#">Test and debug your app</a>.</p> <p>The SDK allows you to test in <a href="#">enterprise simulation mode</a> and supports <a href="#">automated testing</a>.</p>
5	<p><a href="#">Review configuration and build recommendations and then deploy your app</a>.</p>
6	<p>Optionally, <a href="#">deploy certificates to the BlackBerry Dynamics apps on users' devices</a>.</p>

## Contents of the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for Android

The BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for Android includes APIs to support:

- The development of BlackBerry Dynamics apps for handheld devices
- Android backup capabilities
- [BlackBerry Protect](#) functionality
- [Play Integrity attestation](#)
- [Automated testing](#)

All libraries are distributed as both a maven repository that can be added to an existing repository and as library projects that can be added to an app project.

# Integrating the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK in .aar format

The BlackBerry Dynamics SDK libraries are available in the SDK package as .aar files that can be published to an internal repository. The files are found in `m2repository/com/blackberry/blackberrydynamics`.

Use one of the following methods to incorporate the .aar files into your BlackBerry Dynamics app projects. The appropriate method depends on how you installed the SDK.

## Integrate the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK using Gradle

**Note:** BlackBerry recommends that you use Gradle version 7.3 or later.

1. In your project level Gradle file (`build.gradle`), add the following rule to include the BlackBerry Maven repository:

```
allprojects {
    repositories {
        google()
        jcenter()
        maven {
            url "https://software.download.blackberry.com/repository/maven/"
        }
    }
}
```

2. In the app level module of your Gradle file (`app/build.gradle`), declare the following dependency on the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK:

```
# BlackBerry Dynamics SDK
implementation
'com.blackberry.blackberrydynamics:android_handheld_platform:11.0+'
implementation
'com.blackberry.blackberrydynamics:android_handheld_resources:11.0+'
implementation
'com.blackberry.blackberrydynamics:android_handheld_backup_support:11.0+'

# Optional
implementation
'com.blackberry.blackberrydynamics:android_handheld_blackberry_protect_support:
11.0+'
```

3. Sync the app to download all of the required dependencies.

## Download and add the .aar files for the SDK libraries

Visit [BlackBerry Developer Downloads](#) to download the SDK package. When you click the link, you are prompted to log in to the Developer site with your BlackBerry Online Account. If you don't already have an account, you can register and create one. The BlackBerry Dynamics SDK libraries are available in the SDK package as .aar files that can be published to an internal repository. The files are found in `m2repository/com/blackberry/blackberrydynamics`.

1. Define the path to the .aar files in the `build.gradle` repositories block. For example:

```
allprojects {
    repositories {
        maven { url '/path/to/m2repository' }
        //other maven URLs ...
    }
}
```

**Note:** You can define the URL in the local.properties file to avoid VCS conflicts.

2. Add Gradle compile dependencies in the format `<group_ID>:<artifact_ID>:<version>`. For example:

```
dependencies {  
    api 'com.blackberry.blackberrydynamics:android_handheld_platform:5.0.0.47'  
}
```

The following artifacts are included in the SDK:

- android\_handheld\_platform
- android\_handheld\_backup\_support
- android\_handheld\_blackberry\_protect\_support
- android\_handheld\_gd\_safetynet
- atsl

# Integrating optional features

This section provides more information about integrating optional features into your custom BlackBerry Dynamics apps.

## Enforcing local compliance actions

The BlackBerry Dynamics SDK includes the following APIs that you can use to block or unblock a user's access to the UI of a BlackBerry Dynamics app locally:

- [GDAndroid.executeBlock](#)
- [GDAndroid.executeUnblock](#)

You can use these APIs to temporarily prevent access to an app under certain conditions. For example, if the user accesses a public Wi-Fi network that is not trusted, you can use [GDAndroid.executeBlock](#) to prevent access to the app until the user is on a trusted Wi-Fi network. While the app UI is blocked, the app's network activity and container storage access is not affected.

You can use [GDAndroid.executeBlock](#) to display a message to the user that explains why access to the app has been blocked and how the user can restore compliance and unblock the UI.

The GDInteraction sample app has been updated to demonstrate the use of these APIs.

**Note:** It is possible to circumvent a UI block if the user is able to restore a backup that was created before the block occurred. Take this condition into account when you develop and test your app.

## Adding custom policies for your app to the UEM management console

You can add new management policies and settings that are specific to your custom BlackBerry Dynamics app to the BlackBerry UEM management console so that they can be configured and applied to users by UEM administrators. The new management policies that you define are in addition to the full suite of BlackBerry Dynamics and device management policies already offered by UEM.

You can add a custom policy for a BlackBerry Dynamics app by creating and uploading an application policy definition file to the management console. For implementation details and more information about the file format and elements, see the Application Policies Definition appendix in the API Reference ([Android/iOS](#)) and the [BlackBerry Dynamics App Policies Technical Brief](#).

For instructions for uploading the file to the management console, see [Manage settings for a BlackBerry Dynamics app](#) in the *UEM Administration Guide*.

## Add a watermark to the screens in a BlackBerry Dynamics app

To protect against data leakage, you can implement an app policy that adds a watermark to the screens in a BlackBerry Dynamics app. The watermark includes the user's username and the current date and time. This watermark deters users from taking photos of potentially sensitive information, while also giving your organization a means to trace the source of a data leak.

To implement this feature, you must use BlackBerry Dynamics SDK version 8.0 or later, and you must implement a BlackBerry Dynamics application policy in UEM to enable or disable the feature.

**Note:** The watermark does not apply to views that appear outside of the interactive use of an application (for example, notifications and widgets). Review the data leakage protection settings available in the BlackBerry Dynamics profile to configure the necessary protections for sensitive information.

1. Create a BlackBerry Dynamics app policy definition file for your app. For implementation details and more information about the file format and elements, see the Application Policies Definition appendix in the API Reference ([Android/iOS](#)) and the [BlackBerry Dynamics App Policies Technical Brief](#).
2. Add a setting definition for the DLP watermark policy. The name of the key must be **blackberry.security.EnableDLPWatermark** and the default value should be **false**.

Example:

```
<setting name="blackberry.security.EnableDLPWatermark">
  <checkbox>
    <key>blackberry.security.EnableDLPWatermark</key>
    <label>Enable DLP Watermark</label>
    <value>>false</value>
  </checkbox>
</setting>
```

3. Include the DLP watermark policy setting in the structural section of the file. The pview elements must not include a key attribute.

Example:

```
<pview>
  <pview type="tabbed">
    <title>Data Leakage Prevention Watermark</title>
    <desc>Add a faint background watermark across all application screens
with users 'username' and the current date/time.</desc>
    <pe ref="blackberry.security.EnableDLPWatermark" />
  </pview>
</pview>
```

4. Coordinate with the UEM administrator to upload the app policy for your app in UEM. See [Manage settings for a BlackBerry Dynamics apps](#) (App configuration > Upload a template).

The UEM administrator can now enable the DLP watermark feature.

## Using the BBWebView library

The BlackBerry Dynamics SDK contains the BBWebView library that you can use to integrate the Android WebView component with a BlackBerry Dynamics app. The BBWebView code is available under the com.blackberry.bbwebview package name.

The BBWebView library supports secure HTTP request interception for an internal network (URL loading, XML, and fetch HTTP requests), data leakage protection for cut, copy, and paste, page history navigation, and a secure cookies store. Additionally, HTTP authentication (Basic, Digest, NTLM, Kerberos) is supported in the BBWebView library.

The BBWebview library also supports file downloading into the secure container and showing the downloaded text (txt), image (jpeg, jpg, png), audio (mp3), and video (mp4) files to the user. You can get the path to the BBWebView Download directory and access downloaded files using the BlackBerry Dynamics Secure Storage APIs (com.good.gd.file). You can also open the BBWebView library UI to show the content of the BBWebView directory to the user.

The BBWebView library contains the following APIs:



- `com.blackberry.bbwebview.BBWebChromeClient`
- `com.blackberry.bbwebview.BBWebViewClient`
- `com.blackberry.bbwebview.BBWebView`

The `BBWebView` library currently supports:

- Loading HTTP and HTTPS data
- Redirection
- Basic, Digest, NTLM, and Kerberos
- Cookies
- Video and audio playback
- Asynchronous XHR requests
- WebSockets are supported with the following limitations:
  - `ServerTrust` challenge
  - `bufferedAmount` property for `WebSocket` JavaScript object
  - Basic, Digest, NTLM, and Kerberos authentication

The `BBWebView` library does not currently support:

- URL schemes (`mailto:`, `geo:`, and so on)
- Web worker (Service worker)
- Pasting content from a BlackBerry Dynamics app to `WebView` using drag and drop
- Resource caches
- Secure database
- Local storage (HTML5)
- Session storage
- `AutoZSO`
- Secure drag-and-drop data movement between applications
- Dynamically created HTML iframes

To load files from the local assets folder, you must use the web-like URL format `https://appassets.androidplatform.net/assets/` rather than `file:///android_asset/`. For example, the following code will load the `index.html` page from the assets folder in `BBWebView`:

```
// Initialize BBWebView instance
BBWebView webView = ...

// Provide url with file name which is located in your application's assets folder
webView.loadUrl("https://appassets.androidplatform.net/assets/index.html");
```

This method is compatible with the Same-Origin policy and recommended by Google. For more information, see [WebViewAssetLoader](#).

The `com.blackberry.bbwebview.WebClientObserver` class is deprecated. For the required methods, you can extend [BBWebViewClient](#), [BBWebView](#), and [BBWebChromeClient](#). For more information about the methods to override in `BBWebViewClient`, `BBWebView`, or `BBWebChromeClient`, see the following Android developer resources:

- [Android Developers WebViewClient](#)
- [Android Developers WebView](#)
- [Android Developers WebChromeClient](#)

`BBWebView` supports custom implementations of `WebChromeClient` and `WebViewClient`. To use this functionality, you must extend the `BBWebChromeClient` and `BBWebViewClient` classes.

- For WebViewClient, use the setter detailed at [Android Developers WebView](#).
- For WebChromeClient, use the setter detailed at [Android Developers WebView](#).

The following sample demonstrates how to set custom implementations of BBWebChromeClient and BBWebViewClient for BBWebView:

```
webView = ... // Create BBWebView instance

webView.setWebViewClient(new BBWebViewClient() {

    @Override
    public boolean shouldOverrideUrlLoading (WebView view, WebResourceRequest
request) {
        if (request.getUrl().toString().startsWith("https://example.com")) {
            Log.i("BBWebViewClient", "shouldOverrideUrlLoading() forbidden loading
url");
            return true;
        } else {
            Log.i("BBWebViewClient", "shouldOverrideUrlLoading() continue loading
url");
            return false;
        }
    }

    @Override
    public void onPageFinished(WebView view, String url) {
        Log.i("BBWebViewClient", "onPageFinished() url is loaded");
    }
});

webView.setWebChromeClient(new BBWebChromeClient() {
    @Override
    public void onProgressChanged(WebView view, int newProgress) {
        Log.i("BBWebChromeClient", "onProgressChanged() progress = " +
newProgress);
    }
});
```

## Integrate the BBWebView library

**Before you begin:** Add the BBWebView library dependency to the app project dependencies.

Use one of the following methods to integrate the BBWebView library with a BlackBerry Dynamics app:

Method	Steps
Use the public BlackBerry maven or local repository	<p>Add the following to the build.gradle project file:</p> <pre>implementation ('com.blackberry.blackberrydynamics:android_webview: \$DYNAMICS_SDK_VERSION')</pre>

Method	Steps
Use the build.gradle project file	<p>a. Add the following to the build.gradle project file:</p> <pre>implementation project(':BBWebView')</pre> <p>b. Add the following to the settings.gradle project file:</p> <pre>include(':BBWebView')project(':BBWebView').projectDir =     newFile('\${SDK_DISTRIBUTION_FOLDER}/sdk/libs/handheld/     bb_webview')</pre>

## Using the OkHttp HTTP framework

BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for Android supports the [OkHttp API](#) to provide efficient HTTP request handling. The SDK provides the following classes for OkHttp support:

- **BBCustomInterceptor:** This class provides support for the OkHttp HTTP framework by using an interceptor that you can add when creating an OkHttpClient object. This interceptor directs HTTP request through the BlackBerry Dynamics secure communications system. For more information, see the [BBCustomInterceptor Class Reference](#).
- **BBCookieJar:** This class provides cookie support for the OkHttp HTTP framework with the BBCustomInterceptor class. With this class, your apps can access cookies that are managed by the BlackBerry Dynamics Runtime through the BBCookieJar API. Cookies are always stored in the secure container. For more information, see the [BBCookieJar Class Reference](#).

**Note:** BlackBerry Dynamics uses OkHttp version 4.9.1.

The following table outlines limitations for OkHttp as of this release:

Limitation	Description
Caching	Caching is not supported in this release.
Proxy	<p>Proxy servers are supported, but there is no API to set a proxy. It will work if proxies are set in UEM, either using a PAC file or manually. If proxy authentication is required, this will be done automatically as is the case for the existing HttpClient API. Per-user credentials for a UEM configured proxy are not currently supported as the 407 responses from the proxy will not be returned.</p> <p>For more information, see <a href="#">Sending BlackBerry Dynamics app data through an HTTP proxy</a> in the BlackBerry UEM administration guide.</p>
Authentication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Third-party authentication interceptors might support NTLM authentication.</li> <li>• Kerberos authentication using PKINIT or KCD is supported.</li> <li>• Kerberos and NTLM authentication using user-supplied credentials is supported through BBCustomAuthenticator.</li> <li>• SPNEGO is not supported.</li> </ul>
Timeouts	Timeouts in OkHttp are separated into connection timeouts, read timeouts, and write timeouts. BlackBerry Dynamics OkHttp only supports connection timeouts, and it is not currently possible to change the timeout value.

Limitation	Description
Certificates	It is not currently possible to disable HTTPS host/peer certificate verification, or to enforce pinned certificates.

## Prompt the user to update a BlackBerry Dynamics app

Users should always upgrade to the latest available version of a BlackBerry Dynamics app to benefit from the latest security protections, features, and fixes. If a user has turned off automatic app updates on their device, the user runs the risk of remaining on an older version of an app that does not have the latest enhancements and protections. You can implement an app policy that will enable your BlackBerry Dynamics apps, on startup, to detect whether the user should upgrade to the latest available version. The BlackBerry Dynamics Runtime provides a notification using the ThreatStatus interface only if the user is running an older version of the app.

To implement this feature, you must use BlackBerry Dynamics SDK version 8.0 or later, and you must implement a BlackBerry Dynamics application policy in UEM. Note that the UEM administrator cannot view or change the policy configuration. The minimum required version and the app download URL are configured using hidden fields in the application policy.

The ThreatApplicationSecurity ([Android/iOS](#)) class in the ThreatStatus API ([Android/iOS](#)) provides a warning. The isAppVersionOutOfDate() method ([Android/iOS](#)) indicates if the current version of the app that is installed on the device is lower than the minimum required version. A string with the URL to download the latest version is returned using getAppUpdateURL() ([Android/iOS](#)).

1. Create a BlackBerry Dynamics app policy definition file for your app. For implementation details and more information about the file format and elements, see the [Application Policies Definition appendix](#) in the API Reference and the [BlackBerry Dynamics App Policies Technical Brief](#).
2. Add the following settings:
  - **blackberry.security.appInfo.android.appMinVersion**: This is the minimum required versionCode from the Android manifest file.
  - **blackberry.security.appInfo.iOS.appMinVersion**: This is the minimum required bundle version as defined in the Xcode info.plist file.
  - **blackberry.security.appInfo.android.appUpdateURL**: This is the URL that the user can use to download your Android app.
  - **blackberry.security.appInfo.iOS.appUpdateURL**: This is the URL that the user can use to download your iOS app.

Example:

```
<setting name="android_appMinVersion">
  <hidden>
    <key>blackberry.security.appInfo.android.appMinVersion</key>
    <value>16</value>
  </hidden>
</setting>
<setting name="iOS_appMinVersion">
  <hidden>
    <key>blackberry.security.appInfo.iOS.appMinVersion</key>
    <value>20</value>
  </hidden>
</setting>
<setting name="iOS_appUpdateURL">
  <hidden>
    <key>blackberry.security.appInfo.iOS.appUpdateURL</key>
```

```

        <value>https://apps.apple.com/us/app/blackberry-work/id890656632</
value>
    </hidden>
</setting>
<setting name="android_appUpdateURL">
    <hidden>
        <key>blackberry.security.appInfo.android.appUpdateURL</key>
        <value>https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.good.gcs</
value>
    </hidden>
</setting>

```

3. Include the settings in the structural section of the file.

Example:

```

<pview>
    <!-- App Minimum Version Security Configuration -->
    <pe ref="android_appMinVersion"/>
    <pe ref="android_appUpdateURL"/>
    <pe ref="iOS_appMinVersion"/>
    <pe ref="iOS_appUpdateURL"/>
</pview>

```

4. Coordinate with the UEM administrator to upload the app policy for your app in UEM. See [Manage settings for a BlackBerry Dynamics apps](#) (App configuration > Upload a template).

## Adding a custom logo and colors with the branding API

You can use the branding API to add a custom logo and colors to the app UI. For more information, see [void configureUI](#) in the API Reference.

## Support for Night Mode

The BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for Android version 6.1 and later supports Night Mode. The Greetings server and Application policy sample apps in the SDK package demonstrate how to support this feature. The other sample apps use light mode.

You can turn off support for Night Mode in the BlackBerry Dynamics UI by adding the following code to the application class:

```

import android.support.v7.app.AppCompatActivity;
...
AppCompatActivity.setDefaultNightMode(AppCompatActivity.MODE_NIGHT_NO);

```

This can be useful for apps that do not support Night Mode, to ensure a consistent UI experience (all screens will use light mode). Most of the sample apps in the SDK package include this code for reference.

**Note:** The internal style and theme definitions included with the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK have changed. If your app was previously making use of any of these definitions, you may get errors when building your app, and may have to rework your UI to avoid some dependencies. It is a best practice that you do not rely on BlackBerry Dynamics styles when coding your UI. Please contact BlackBerry support if your app relied on a particular style and you need to know how it was defined.

# Using zero sign-on for SaaS services through BlackBerry Enterprise Identity

Your custom BlackBerry Dynamics apps can leverage zero sign-on (ZSO) for SaaS through BlackBerry Enterprise Identity. For more information, see the [BlackBerry Enterprise Identity docs](#).

## Integrating BlackBerry Enterprise Mobility Server services

This section covers the general approach for programming with the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK and the [BlackBerry Enterprise Mobility Server](#) services. The approach consists of two parts:

- Programming an app to interact with the desired BEMS services
- Entitling users to the necessary applications

BEMS services conform to the [Shared Services Framework](#). A service consists of two applications: A program that provides the service, and an app that consumes the service. BEMS is the service provider that must be configured for use in BlackBerry UEM. You create the app that consumes this service.

### BEMS services APIs

The BEMS services are described in the [BEMS API Reference Guides](#).

### Programming your service consumer app

You must define a unique BlackBerry Dynamics app ID for your application (for complete details, see [Using an entitlement ID and version to uniquely identify a BlackBerry Dynamics app](#)). The BlackBerry Dynamics SDK has functions to discover services, and each BEMS service has specific programming interfaces.

To discover the BEMS services, use `GDServiceType`. This API and other APIs for shared services are described in other sections of this guide and in the [BlackBerry Dynamics API reference](#).

After your consumer app discovers the service, the way the app communicates with the service depends on the service definition.

**Note:** Most BEMS services run over SSL (HTTPS) on port 8443. Be sure your consumer application connects to the correct server and port.

### Discovering the BlackBerry Enterprise Mobility Server services

Described here is a general approach to using the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK and Server-based Services Framework to programmatically discover the Docs services offered by your BEMS installation.

Item	Description
Service identifier	First you need to know the service identifier and version. For more information about the available services, see <a href="#">Mobile Services</a> .
Service discovery	Next, code a service discovery query in your application program. See the <code>getServiceProvidersFor</code> API in the <code>GDAndroid</code> , <code>GDiOS</code> , and <code>GDMac</code> classes.

Item	Description
Server cluster	<p>The result of the service discovery query is an array of <code>GDSERVICE_PROVIDER</code> objects. Each object corresponds to a BlackBerry Dynamics <a href="#">entitlement ID</a> that is registered as a provider of the service. Your best result is that the array has one element.</p> <p>If the array is empty, it means that the current end user isn't entitled to any App ID that provides the service. In that case, your app shouldn't use the service.</p> <p>If the array has more than one element, it means that the end user is entitled to more than one GD App ID that provides the service (likely a configuration error by the enterprise). Your app would have to pick one of the GD App IDs, or try all of them, or prompt the user to select.</p> <p>In the <code>GDSERVICE_PROVIDER</code> object, there is a <code>serverCluster</code> attribute. It contains an array of <code>GDAAPP_SERVER</code> objects, each of which tells you the address and port number of a server, and the priority of that instance within the cluster.</p>
Server selection	<p>If the <code>serverCluster</code> array has only one element, then server selection is trivial. Use the server address and port number of the first element.</p> <p>If the <code>serverCluster</code> array is empty, that indicates an enterprise configuration error.</p> <p>If the <code>serverCluster</code> array has more than one element, then you must implement a server selection algorithm. A sample algorithm is given on the <a href="#">GDAndroid</a>, <a href="#">GDiOS</a>, and <a href="#">GDMac</a> pages in the <a href="#">BlackBerry Dynamics API reference</a>, in the <code>getApplicationConfig</code> section. The algorithm is the same for the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for Android and for the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for iOS. The recommended selection algorithm is as follows.</p> <p>For each priority value in the list, starting with the highest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Select a server that has that priority, at random.</li> <li>• Attempt to connect to the server.</li> <li>• If the connection succeeds, use that server.</li> <li>• If the connection fails, try another server at the same priority, at random.</li> <li>• If there are no more untried servers at that priority, try the servers at the next lower priority.</li> </ul>

# Integrating BlackBerry Analytics

BlackBerry Analytics is a cloud-based portal that you can use to view information about the BlackBerry Dynamics apps and devices that are used in your organization's environment. Previously, the BlackBerry Analytics functionality was offered in a separate SDK that you could integrate with your BlackBerry Dynamics apps. In SDK version 8.0 and later, BlackBerry Analytics functionality is now included in the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK.

BlackBerry Analytics functionality is automatically enabled when you use the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK version 8.0 or later. To enable data collection and use of the BlackBerry Analytics portal, your organization must purchase the BlackBerry Analytics entitlement, and the UEM administrator must assign the entitlement to users or groups. For more information about the BlackBerry Analytics requirements, entitlement, and accessing the portal, see the [BlackBerry Analytics documentation](#). If you are upgrading an app to use SDK version 8.0 and it currently uses the separate BlackBerry Analytics SDK, see [Remove the previous integration with the separate BlackBerry Analytics SDK](#).

For more information about the BlackBerry Analytics APIs that are integrated in the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK, see the BlackBerryAnalytics class ([Android/iOS](#)) in the API reference.

## Remove the previous integration with the separate BlackBerry Analytics SDK

If you previously integrated the separate BlackBerry Analytics SDK with your BlackBerry Dynamics app, when you upgrade to use SDK version 8.0, do the following to remove the previous integration:

1. Remove the dependency on BlackBerry Analytics SDK from the **build.gradle** file:  

```
implementation(name:'BlackberryAnalytics-release', ext:'aar')
```
2. Verify that the dependency on the SDK .aar file is correctly linked in your **build.gradle** file. See [Integrating the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK in .aar format](#).
3. Remove the following method calls within your project:
  - `BlackberryAnalytics.setStage()`
  - `BlackberryAnalytics.hostInitializationCompleted()`

Once you upgrade to SDK version 8.0, no additional development effort is required to enable your BlackBerry Dynamics app to use BlackBerry Analytics. To enable data collection and use of the BlackBerry Analytics portal, your organization must purchase the BlackBerry Analytics entitlement and the UEM administrator must assign the entitlement to users or groups. For more information about the BlackBerry Analytics requirements, entitlement, and accessing the portal, see the [BlackBerry Analytics documentation](#).

## Using the BlackBerry Analytics REST API

You can use the BlackBerry Analytics REST API to retrieve metrics and event data from BlackBerry Analytics. You can use this data in a number of ways. For example, you can create your own custom reports.

To use the BlackBerry Analytics REST API, you should be familiar with REST APIs that rely on JSON bodies for payload. You must also have a registered account that you can use to access BlackBerry Analytics at <https://analytics.blackberry.com>. For instructions for setting up BlackBerry Analytics and for creating an account, see the [BlackBerry Analytics Administration Guide](#).

The BlackBerry Analytics REST API reference is available on the [Analytics Portal](#). The API documentation includes examples of various requests.



## Get a JWT token for REST API calls

1. Get a refresh token from the BlackBerry myAccount online service. Use the same myAccount credentials that you use to log in to the BlackBerry Analytics portal. Refresh tokens are valid for a long time. Access tokens expire in the interval indicated, in minutes.

Request to the server:

```
curl --request POST --data
  "client_id=com.good.oauth2.client.general&grant_type=password&username=
  user@domain&password=account_password" https://login.blackberry.com/sso/oauth2/
  access_token
```

Response from the server:

```
{ "scope": "com.good.oauth2.client.general goodCurUserLevel
  goodOrgID goodOrgRole goodOrgType inetUserStatus mail
  o", "expires_in": 600, "token_type": "Bearer", "refresh_token": " TOKEN_VALUE
  ", "access_token": " TOKEN_VALUE " }
```

2. You can use a refresh token to generate a new access token. Persist the refresh token in a secure storage location that is accessible to your app.

Request to the server:

```
curl --request POST --data
  "client_id=com.good.oauth2.client.general&grant_type=refresh_token&
  refresh_token=TOKEN_VALUE" https://login.blackberry.com/sso/oauth2/access_token
```

Response from the server:

```
{ "scope": "com.good.oauth2.client.general goodCurUserLevel
  goodOrgID goodOrgRole goodOrgType inetUserStatus mail
  o", "expires_in": 600, "token_type": "Bearer", "access_token": "TOKEN_VALUE" }
```

3. Exchange the access token for a JWT token at the BlackBerry Analytics portal.

Request to the server:

```
curl https://analytics.blackberry.com/enterpriseportal/api/v2/auth/oauth?
  accessToken=TOKEN_VALUE
```

Response from the server:

```
{ "JWTToken": "JWT_TOKEN_VALUE" }
```

4. Make BlackBerry Analytics API calls with the JWT token. The JWT token expires after 1 hour. You can repeat steps 2 and 3 to get a new JWT token.

Request to the server:

```
curl -H 'Authorization:Bearer <JWT_TOKEN>' https://analytics.blackberry.com/
  enterpriseportal/api/v2/os
```

Response from the server:

```
[ { "versions": [ { "name": "4.1.2" }, { "name": "4.4.2" }, { "name": "4.4.3" },
  { "name": "4.4.4" }, { "name": "5.0" }, { "name": "5.0.1" }, { "name": "5.0.2" },
  { "name": "5.1" }, { "name": "5.1.1" }, { "name": "6.0" }, { "name": "6.0.1" }, { "name": "7.0" },
  { "name": "7.1" }, { "name": "7.1.1" }, { "name": "7.1.2" }, { "name": "8.0.0" },
```

```
{ "name": "O" }, {"osName": "Android"}, {"versions": [{"name": "8.1.0"}, {"name": "9"}, {"name": "p"}]}, {"osName": "android"}, {"versions": [{"name": "10.0"}, {"name": "10.0.1"}, {"name": "10.0.2"}, {"name": "10.0.3"}, {"name": "10.1"}, {"name": "10.1.1"}, {"name": "10.2"}, {"name": "10.2.1"}, {"name": "10.3"}, {"name": "10.3.1"}, {"name": "10.3.2"}, {"name": "10.3.3"}, {"name": "11.0"}, {"name": "8.0.2"}, {"name": "8.1.1"}, {"name": "8.1.3"}, {"name": "8.2"}, {"name": "8.3"}, {"name": "8.4"}, {"name": "8.4.1"}, {"name": "9.0"}, {"name": "9.0.1"}, {"name": "9.0.2"}, {"name": "9.1"}, {"name": "9.2"}, {"name": "9.2.1"}, {"name": "9.3"}, {"name": "9.3.1"}, {"name": "9.3.2"}, {"name": "9.3.3"}, {"name": "9.3.4"}, {"name": "9.3.5"}]}, {"osName": "iOS"}, {"versions": [{"name": "11.0.1"}, {"name": "11.0.2"}, {"name": "11.0.3"}, {"name": "11.1"}, {"name": "11.1.1"}, {"name": "11.1.2"}, {"name": "11.2"}, {"name": "11.2.1"}, {"name": "11.2.2"}, {"name": "11.2.5"}, {"name": "11.2.6"}, {"name": "11.3"}, {"name": "11.3.1"}, {"name": "11.4"}, {"name": "11.4.1"}, {"name": "12.0"}]}, {"osName": "ios"}]
```

# Implementing Play Integrity attestation for BlackBerry Dynamics apps

BlackBerry UEM version 12.18 and later supports Play Integrity attestation for BlackBerry Dynamics apps. BlackBerry UEM version 12.17 and earlier supports [SafetyNet](#) attestation for BlackBerry Dynamics apps. For information on [SafetyNet](#) attestation, refer to previous versions of the [SDK documentation](#).

You can use Play Integrity to extend BlackBerry root and exploit detection and to enhance app security and integrity. For more information about Play Integrity attestation, implementation considerations, and instructions for enabling the feature, see the [BlackBerry UEM documentation](#). This chapter details considerations for developers who want to enable Play Integrity support for their BlackBerry Dynamics apps.

To support Play Integrity, you must complete the [Play Integrity prerequisites](#), add a [new library component to the app project](#), and [update the BlackBerry Dynamics application policy file](#).

**Note:** You cannot run an app on an Android emulator while Play Integrity is enabled as Play Integrity attestation will fail during app provision. You may need to contact your IT admin to turn off Play Integrity if you are using an emulator.

## Prerequisites for Play Integrity attestation

Play Integrity attestation is dependent on configurations made within the [Google Play console](#). Use the following steps to configure Play Integrity attestation for your apps:

1. In the Google Play console, select the app you want to configure for Play Integrity attestation, then click **Setup > App signing**.
2. On the Integrity API tab, in the Device Integrity section, ensure that the checkboxes for **MEETS\_BASIC\_INTEGRITY** and **MEETS\_STRONG\_INTEGRITY** are enabled.
3. On the App Signing tab, make note of the SHA-256 certificate fingerprint for the **App signing key certificate** and the **Upload key certificate**. These certificate fingerprints are used when you configure your [BlackBerry Dynamics application policy file](#).

### After you finish:

- For more information on the Google Play Console, see the [Google Play console documentation](#).
- For more information on device integrity, see the [Android developer documentation](#).

## Adding the GDSafetyNet library to the app project

The BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for Android version 5.0 and later includes a GDSafetyNet library. To support Play Integrity, you must add this library to the app project dependencies along with the main GDLibrary.

The GDSafetyNet library includes all of the client-side source code that is required to support Play Integrity. No additional app code is required. The GDSafetyNet library requires Google Play Services 11.0 or later to use device Play Integrity APIs. Verify that your BlackBerry Dynamics app is dependent on only a single version of Google Play Services.

### Examples

If your app does not use Google Play Services, you can add the following to the build.gradle file:

```
implementation ('com.blackberry.blackberrydynamics:android_handheld_gd_safetynet:
$DYNAMICS_SDK_VERSION')
```

If your app uses the Google Play Services, you can add the following to the build.gradle file (where xx.x.x is the specific play-services version):

```
implementation 'com.google.android.gms:play-services-safetynet:xx.x.x'
implementation 'com.google.android.play:integrity:xx.x.x'
implementation("com.blackberry.blackberrydynamics:android_handheld_gd_safetynet:
$DYNAMICS_SDK_VERSION") {
    transitive = false;
}
```

## Updating the BlackBerry Dynamics application policy file

During a Play Integrity attestation process, BlackBerry UEM uses the app response to verify that it is communicating with the official version of the app. You must provide this information in the application policy file.

In order to configure Play Integrity, you will need to provide a Play App signing key. You have two options for a Play app signing key: you can use the Google Play generated app signing key or upload your own private app signing key. For information on finding your app signing keys in your Google Play Console, see [Prerequisites for Play Integrity attestation](#). The digest hash in your application policy file must correspond to your Play app signing key in your Google Play Console.

Consider the following example from the Greetings Client sample app in the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<apd:AppPolicyDefinition xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xmlns:apd="urn:AppPolicySchema1.good.com"
  xsi:schemaLocation="urn:AppPolicySchema1.good.com AppPolicySchema.xsd" >
  <pview>
    <pview>
      <sendto client="None" />
      <desc>Play Integrity Attestation Supported</desc>
      <pe ref="apkCertificateDigestSha256"/>
      <pe ref="apkPackageName" />
      <pe ref="Description" />
    </pview>
  </pview>
  <setting name="apkCertificateDigestSha256">
    <hidden>
      <key>blackberry.appMetadata.android.apkCertificateDigestSha256</key>

      <value>DD:83:CA:47:09:FA:C5:33:75:FE:F4:A1:B5:FB:F4:A8:E8:C2:7A:DF:AF:24:
0D:7B:E3:BA:BD:FB:A9:2B:F9:D6</value>
    </hidden>
  </setting>
  <setting name="apkPackageName">
    <hidden>
      <key>blackberry.appMetadata.android.apkPackageName</key>
      <value>com.good.gd.example.services.greetings.client</value>
    </hidden>
  </setting>
  <setting name="Description" >
```

```

    <text>
      <key>snet</key>
      <label>Play Integrity</label>
      <value>Play Integrity</value>
    </text>
  </setting>
</apd:AppPolicyDefinition>

```

The app is uniquely identified by the combination of the official package name (in the example above, blackberry.appMetadata.android.apkPackageName) and the digest hash of the official signing key (in the example above, blackberry.appMetadata.android.apkCertificateDigestSha256). If the app is not publicly listed in the Google Play Store, you may extract the certificate using keytool. To determine the digest hash, you can use the following keytool command, specifying the keystore and key name that was used to sign the app:

```
keytool -list -v -keystore <KEYSTORE_NAME> -alias <KEY_NAME>
```

This command will provide a response like the following:

```

Creation date: 4-Sep-2018
Entry type: PrivateKeyEntry
Certificate chain length: 1
Certificate[1]:
Owner: CN=Sample
Issuer: CN=Sample
Serial number: 27c738c9
Valid from: Tue Sep 04 08:28:10 BST 2018 until: Wed Aug 22 08:28:10 BST 2068
Certificate fingerprints:
    MD5:  4C:30:85:93:5E:96:12:90:CF:A0:77:48:A5:CA:63:8F
    SHA1: 3C:52:A0:2A:76:63:15:C9:20:C1:06:D9:4D:75:7C:14:D6:7C:30:BC
    SHA256:
    DD:83:CA:47:09:FA:C5:33:75:FE:F4:A1:B5:FB:F4:A8:E8:C2:7A:DF:AF:24:0D:7B:E3:
    BA:BD:FB:A9:2B:F9:D6
Signature algorithm name: SHA256withRSA
Subject Public Key Algorithm: 2048-bit RSA key

```

After you update the application policy file, coordinate with the BlackBerry UEM administrator to upload the app to UEM (see [Deploying your BlackBerry Dynamics app](#)) and to upload the application policy file in the management console (see [Manage settings for a BlackBerry Dynamics app](#) in the UEM Administration Guide). Before the administrator uploads the application policy file, verify that the Android app package ID has been specified or that the [app source file has been uploaded](#); both settings are configured in the app entitlement settings (Android tab) in the management console.

UEM validates the format of the input package name and digest hash. If you update the application policy file and upload the app again, it can take up to 24 hours for the change to synchronize to all UEM instances. When the app is uploaded again, it is removed from the current list of apps that are enabled for attestation and must be added again.

## Testing the app

After completing the integration tasks, your app is Play Integrity ready and you can proceed with further testing. Verify that the app displays in the list of Play Integrity capable apps in the UEM management console. If the app does not display in the list, it is likely that UEM was not able to parse the application policy file.

When the app appears in the list of Play Integrity capable apps, the administrator can then enable the app for Play Integrity. For instructions, see the [BlackBerry UEM documentation](#). An app that was signed correctly will activate successfully. An app that was not signed correctly will not activate and a Play Integrity validation failure message will display in the app.

# Sample apps

You can use the sample apps available in the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for Android to help you plan the development of your apps. The source code samples demonstrate how to apply BlackBerry Dynamics functionality. The most basic is the skeleton app, which can be used as a starting point for implementing your own projects with BlackBerry Dynamics using Enterprise Simulation Mode.

The samples are located in `<sdk_install_directory>/samples/`, or you can download them from the [BlackBerry Developers for Enterprise Apps](#) site.

All sample apps have Android Gradle configurations. You can load any of the apps in Android Studio. When you troubleshoot a BlackBerry Dynamics app, you should enable detailed logging from the console or build configuration.

**Note:** It is recommended to make a copy of the source code in another location before making any changes. Reinstalling or upgrading will overwrite or even remove the sample apps in the default location.

Sample app	Description
Apache HTTP client	Provides an example of how to use BlackBerry Dynamics Secure Communication APIs to access resources behind the enterprise firewall. These secure communication APIs can be used to exchange data between the mobile app on the device and an application server using the secure BlackBerry Dynamics proxy infrastructure.  In 4.0.0 and later, this sample supports HTTP PATCH requests.
AppBasedCertImport	Demonstrates how to create an app that can import a user's PKI credentials using the BlackBerry Dynamics Certificate Credential Import API.  For more information, see <a href="#">Package com.good.gd.pki</a> and <a href="#">Creating user credential profiles for app-based certificates</a> in the <i>UEM Administration Guide</i> .
AppKinetics Shared Services	Provides three examples of how to use the BlackBerry Dynamics <a href="#">Shared Services Framework</a> .
App policy	Provides an example of how to use application-specific policy APIs. App policies control specific features of a single app, compared to built-in policies that apply to all apps.  This app also demonstrates how to support Night Mode.
Bypass Unlock	Illustrates how to program for the Bypass Unlock feature. For more information about Bypass Unlock, see <a href="#">User authentication</a> .
Interaction	Provides an example of how to interact with the BlackBerry Dynamics Library and use the Remote Settings API. Displays which BlackBerry Dynamics events are happening. This can be helpful when using BlackBerry Dynamics for the first time.  This app also demonstrates the use of the <a href="#">GDAndroid.executeBlock</a> and <a href="#">GDAndroid.executeUnblock</a> APIs that can be used to locally block or unblock a user's access to the UI of a BlackBerry Dynamics app.

Sample app	Description
Greetings client/server	<p>Demonstrates how to write a client and server that use the BlackBerry Dynamics Inter Container Communications (ICC) API. The ICC system exchanges data securely between two BlackBerry Dynamics applications running on the same mobile device so that data is not compromised during the exchange.</p> <p>As of the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for Android 11.2 release, the Greetings Client sample app was updated to include Play Integrity attestation. For more information on Play Integrity, see <a href="#">Implementing Play Integrity attestation for BlackBerry Dynamics apps</a>.</p> <p>The Greetings server app demonstrates how to support Night Mode.</p>
Push channel	<p>Demonstrates how to use the BlackBerry Dynamics Push infrastructure, including how to control the connection, create channels, and send messages in a loopback manner to the client. The Push Channel framework is a BlackBerry Dynamics feature used to receive real-time notifications from an application server.</p>
Secure copy-cut-paste	<p>Compares the use of secured BlackBerry Dynamics UI text controls (GDTextView, GDEditText, GDAutoCompleteTextView, GDSearchView, GDWebView) and the corresponding default UI text controls. Text data is encrypted or decrypted before copy or paste operations are performed.</p> <p>As of the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for Android 11.2 release, new AppCompatActivity compatible widgets (GDAppCompatActivity, GDAppCompatActivityCheckedTextView, GDAppCompatActivityAutoCompleteTextView, GDAppCompatActivityMultiAutoCompleteTextView, GDAppCompatActivityEditText, GDAppCompatActivitySearchView) and a view class inflater (GDAppCompatActivityInflater) were introduced to automatically inflate widgets, specified in layout files, into the correct BlackBerry Dynamics widget classes.</p> <p>For more information, see <a href="#">Data Leakage Prevention</a>.</p>
Secure SQL	<p>Demonstrates how to use the secure SQL database, showing how to add, edit, delete, and list contacts. All data stored in the secure SQL database is encrypted on the device by the BlackBerry Dynamics Runtime.</p>
Skeleton	<p>Provides a basic skeleton application that you can use as a starting point for application development.</p>

# Testing and troubleshooting

This section provides guidance for testing and troubleshooting issues with your BlackBerry Dynamics apps.

## Implementing automated testing for BlackBerry Dynamics apps

The BlackBerry Dynamics SDK includes the BlackBerry Dynamics Automated Test Support Library (ATSL) to support automated testing for your BlackBerry Dynamics apps. The library is delivered as binary libraries: a Java library (.jar) and an Android library (.aar).

The library includes helper functions for testing common user interactions in BlackBerry Dynamics apps, such as activation and authorization. The configuration and structure of the library is compatible with the native Android Testing Support Library. It makes use of the following components:

- `com.android.support.test:rules`
- `com.android.support.test.uiautomator:uiautomator-v18`

For more information about these components and the Android Testing Support Library, see [Android Studio: Test your app](#).

You can use the BlackBerry Dynamics library, the native library components mentioned above, and Gradle and JUnit tools to automate the building, execution, and reporting of your application tests.

Since the BlackBerry Dynamics ATSL is delivered as binary libraries, you cannot make your own changes to it. If you want to review the implementation and customize it, you can see the source in GitHub at <https://github.com/blackberry/BlackBerry-Dynamics-Android-Samples/tree/master/AutomatedTestSupportLibrary>.

The Java library for the BlackBerry Dynamics ATSL is located in the sub-directory `dynamics_sdk/libs/common/atsl`. The Android library for the ATSL is located in the sub-directory `dynamics_sdk/m2repository/com/blackberry/blackberrydynamics/atsl`. If you use the Android SDK Manager to install the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK, the libraries are located under the Android home directory at `ANDROID_HOME/extras/good/dynamics_sdk/`.

### Automated testing with the BlackBerry Dynamics sample apps

The sample apps included in the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK have been integrated with the BlackBerry Dynamics Automated Test Support Library (ATSL). Each sample app includes test code that executes automated tests of processing and behavior.

You can use the integration of the ATSL in any sample app as a guide for integrating the library with your own BlackBerry Dynamics apps. Note the following details about the ATSL integration:

Item	Description
Build target for testing	Each app has an <code>androidTest</code> build target that the Android Plugin for Gradle can use. For more information about the Android Plugin for Gradle, see <a href="#">Android Studio: Configure your build</a> .
Code for JUnit tests	The test code is located in the sub-directory <code>&lt;sample_app&gt;/tests/&lt;sample_app_package&gt;/test/</code> . The code is based on JUnit4. You can run tests with <code>AndroidJUnitRunner</code> .



Item	Description
<p>Use of ATSL for interaction with BlackBerry Dynamics screens</p>	<p>The test code uses helper functions in the ATSL. For example, the following code executes the entire activation process for the app:</p> <pre data-bbox="493 352 1459 411">BBDActivationHelper.loginOrActivateApp()</pre> <p>The user's email, access key, and password are read from a file in JSON format (see <a href="#">Preparing for automated testing</a>).</p> <p>You can run ATSL helper functions in the JUnit assertion programming interface. For example:</p> <pre data-bbox="493 590 1459 674">assertTrue("Failed to provision AppKinetics sample app.",     BBDActivationHelper.loginOrActivateApp());</pre> <p>This assertion will fail if activation fails.</p> <p>Each BlackBerry Dynamics screen is represented by an object that provides convenient methods to interact with the UI elements that it consists of.</p> <p>You can use the following snippet to enter user credentials and start the activation process using credentials that are not stored in the JSON file:</p> <pre data-bbox="493 898 1459 1066">BBDActivationUI activationScreen = new     BBDActivationUI(uiAutomatorUtils.getAppPackageName()); activationScreen.enterUserLogin("email@example.com"); activationScreen.enterKey("12345", "12345", "12345"); activationScreen.clickOK();</pre>
<p>Use of ATSL for general interactions</p>	<p>The test code also uses helper functions in the ATSL for general interactions (for example, checking that an item exists in the user interface and then interacting with that item). See the following example:</p> <pre data-bbox="493 1213 1459 1272">uiAutomatorUtils.isTextShown("Retrieving data");</pre> <p>The ATSL functions handle this by using UIAutomator.</p>
<p>Broadcast receiver for authorization events</p>	<p>The test code registers a broadcast receiver that receives authorization events from the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK:</p> <pre data-bbox="493 1444 1459 1535">GDAndroid.getInstance().registerReceiver     (GDSDKStateReceiver.getInstance(),     GDSDKStateReceiver.getInstance().getIntentFilter());</pre> <p>Broadcast receiver registration supports multiple receiver classes and doesn't block <code>GDStateListener</code> or <code>GDAppEventListener</code> implementations, if any. The broadcast receiver code is in the <code>GDSDKStateReceiver</code> class.</p>

## Preparing for automated testing

As part of your automated testing you must activate a new installation of your BlackBerry Dynamics app or log in to an already activated app. This requires a user identifier (typically an email address), an access key, and a password. The ATSL can read activation or login credentials from a file in JSON format stored in the assets folder of the app running the tests.

The file does not have any naming restrictions and must contain a single object with the following fields:

- GD\_TEST\_PROVISION\_EMAIL: String that specifies the user's email address
- GD\_TEST\_PROVISION\_ACCESS\_KEY: String that specifies the access key
- GD\_TEST\_PROVISION\_PASSWORD: String that specifies the user's password after provisioning or during login
- GD\_TEST\_UNLOCK\_KEY: Specifies the unlock key, if necessary (optional)

For example:

```
{
  "GD_TEST_PROVISION_EMAIL": "user@acme.com",
  "GD_TEST_PROVISION_ACCESS_KEY": "012345678901234",
  "GD_TEST_PROVISION_PASSWORD": "abcd"
}
```

There are different options to prepare the file:

- Manually generate an access key for a user in the management console, then manually edit the file.
- Manually generate and store a number of access keys in advance, then automatically edit the file and consume a key from the store.
- Automatically generate an access key, and optionally a user, with the [BlackBerry Web Services](#) APIs, then automatically edit the file.

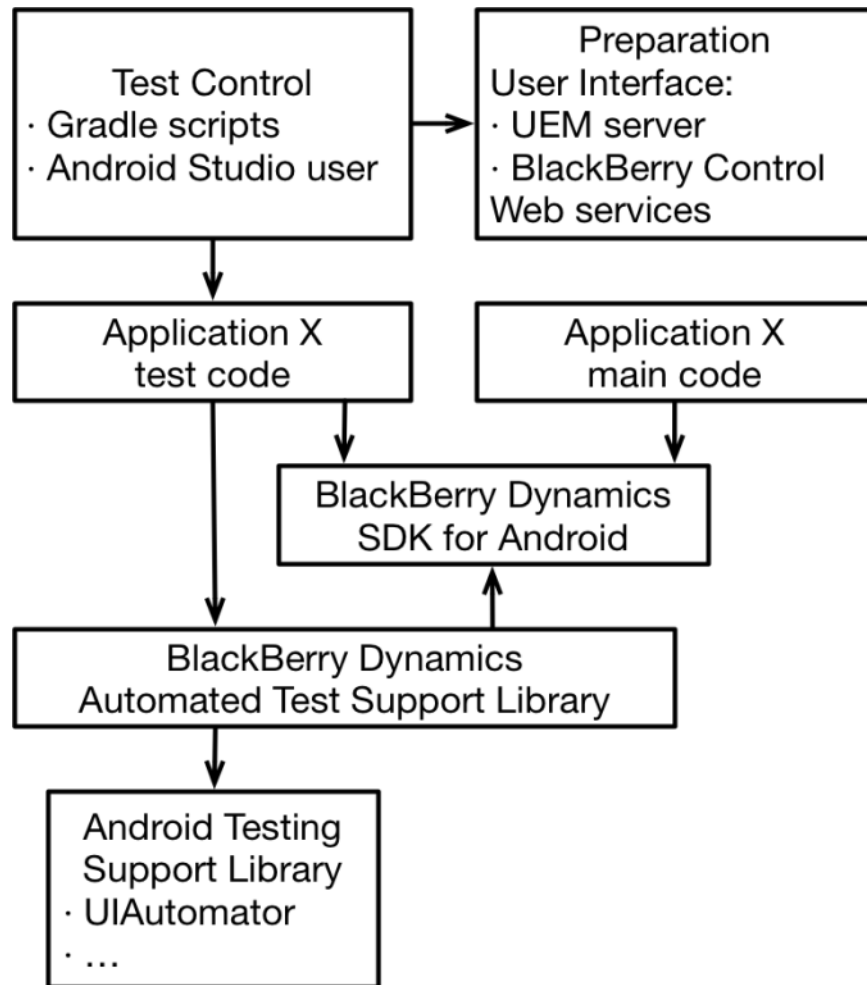
Use the option that best suits your needs, based on your access to the management console and administrator level permissions, your familiarity with the [BlackBerry Web Services](#) APIs, and your preference for using a new activation for every test or running subsequent tests on the same app as an upgrade.

Please note the following:

- In the JSON file, the access key and unlock key have to be 15 characters and cannot have dashes.
- Automated testing works in Enterprise Simulation mode, but will have the same restrictions (for example, the app cannot connect to any back-end servers).
- Every BlackBerry Dynamics app needs a one-time initialization to complete activation. To ensure that this is executed first, define a dedicated test method that executes BlackBerry Dynamics activation and have that activation test executed in isolation.

## Components of a sample automated testing configuration

The following diagram illustrates the different components in a sample automated testing configuration:



### Execute all tests from the command line with Gradle

Follow these instructions to build the application, resolve dependencies, run the tests on a connected Android device, and record the results. This command can be run from a continuous integration system such as Jenkins.

1. Change the directory to `samples/<app_name>`.
2. Run the following command: `./gradlew connectedAppDebugAndroidTest`

Test results are written to the following sub-directory: `<app_name>/build/reports/androidTests/connected/flavors/APP`.

You can save test results using a continuous integration system. You can also use a JUnit plug-in to display the test results in a readable form, to send email messages to project members, or to take other common continuous integration actions.

For more information about running tests using the command line, see [Android Studio: Test from the command line](#).

### Execute specific tests from the command line with Gradle

Follow these instructions to build the application, resolve dependencies, run the tests in the specified class on a connected Android device, and record the results.

1. Change the directory to `samples/<app_name>`.
2. Run the following command: `./gradlew connectedAppTestDebugAndroidTest -Pandroid.testInstrumentationRunnerArguments.class=<className>`  
Replace `<classname>` with the name of your class.

You can also run a specific test manually using the following method:

1. Use Gradle to build the `androidTest` target.
2. Use the Android Debug Bridge (ADB) tool to install the app from the resulting `.apk` file. You can choose to uninstall any existing app first or to install as an upgrade.
3. Execute specific test suites or individual tests using the ADB tool, with a command such as: `adb shell am instrument -w -e debug false -e class <packageName>.<className> <packageName>.test/testRunner`

Replace `<packagename>` and `<classname>` with values for your app and class.

Test results are written to the following sub-directory: `<app_name>/build/reports/androidTests/connected/flavors/APPTTEST`.

You can save test results using a continuous integration system. You can also use a JUnit plug-in to display the test results in a readable form, to send email messages to project members, or to take other common continuous integration actions.

For more information about running tests using the command line, see [Android Studio: Test from the command line](#).

## Execute tests from the Android Studio IDE

The tests that you can run from the command line ([Execute all tests from the command line with Gradle](#) and [Execute specific tests from the command line with Gradle](#)) can also be run from within the IDE. This can be useful for investigating test failures with breakpoints or for running tests as you write the code.

1. In **Run > Edit Configurations**, add a new test configuration.
2. Set the following parameters for the test configuration:
  - Module: `<app_name>`
  - Instrumentation runner: `android.support.test.runner.AndroidJUnitRunner`
3. Save the configuration.
4. Select the new configuration and Run or Debug.

The tests will run and generate results. The IDE will show progress and results. If Debug was selected, you can insert breakpoints in the code.

## Add automated testing to your BlackBerry Dynamics Android app

1. Add the Android Testing Support Library and the BlackBerry Dynamics ATSL to your project. Your project must have a compile SDK level of 23 or higher. You can add the following to the `build.gradle` file to add both libraries:

```
// Dependencies on the modules of the Android Testing Support Library.
androidTestImplementation 'com.blackberry.blackberydynamics:atsl:6.0.0.26'
implementation('com.android.support.test.espresso:espresso-contrib:2.2.2') {
    exclude module: 'support-annotations'
}
androidTestImplementation 'com.android.support:support-annotations:24.2.1'
androidTestImplementation 'com.android.support.test:rules:0.4'
androidTestImplementation 'com.android.support.test:runner:0.4'
androidTestImplementation 'com.android.support.test.uiautomator:uiautomator-v18:2.1.2'
```

```

// Include tests in androidTest target
androidTest {
    manifest.srcFile 'tests/AndroidManifest.xml'
    java.srcDirs = ['tests']
    assets.srcDirs = ['tests/assets']
}
// Following configuration is required to set the download location of
// dependent projects.
allprojects {
    repositories {
        mavenCentral()
        .....
        maven { url '../..../m2repository' }
    }
}

```

2. Define AndroidJUnitRunner as the runner for test instrumentation. Add the following to the build.gradle file:

```

android {
    .....
    defaultConfig {
        .....
        testInstrumentationRunner
        "android.support.test.runner.AndroidJUnitRunner"
    }
}

```

3. Add or write code for your app tests. Use the helper functions in the ATSL in your test code.

You can use the code for the app tests in any of the sample apps as a starting point. For example, in the SecureSQL sample app, the first app test, `test1`, executes BlackBerry Dynamics activation and unlock as an automated test. Put the code in one of the source directories specified in the `androidTest` target. In the above example, only the `tests` sub-directory is specified.

## Configure compliance settings so you can debug your app

Compliance profiles in BlackBerry UEM provide the ability to detect when a device OS is rooted and to initiate an enforcement action (this option is disabled by default). This feature extends to deployed BlackBerry Dynamics apps, compiled with SDK version 5.0 or later, where an active debugging tool is detected. Your options for configuring this feature depend on the version of BlackBerry UEM and the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK:

- If your organization uses BlackBerry UEM version 12.11 MR1 or later and the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK version 6.1 or later, when you enable the compliance setting to detect a rooted OS, you can configure the setting “Enable anti-debugging for BlackBerry Dynamics apps”. If enabled, the BlackBerry Dynamics Runtime stops a BlackBerry Dynamics app if it detects an active debugging tool. If disabled, the BlackBerry Dynamics Runtime takes no action when it detects an active debugging tool.
- In UEM versions earlier than 12.11 MR1, the “Enable anti-debugging for BlackBerry Dynamics apps” option is not present and this functionality is enabled by default. If you enable the compliance setting to detect a rooted OS, the BlackBerry Dynamics Runtime stops a BlackBerry Dynamics app when it detects an active debugging tool.

If you want to debug a BlackBerry Dynamics app in an environment where a compliance profile is applied, verify that the compliance settings are configured as required. Alternatively, you can use a non-debug build of your app to test it with the compliance settings enabled.

## Emulators and the rooted OS compliance setting

If a compliance profile is configured to check for a rooted OS, and the profile or policy is applied to a BlackBerry Dynamics app that is running on a vanilla Android emulator, the emulator will wipe the BlackBerry Dynamics app. The default behavior for the compliance setting is to wipe an app on a rooted device, and the emulator is considered a rooted device. Note that compliance actions related to Play Integrity attestation and hardware certificate attestation will also consider an emulator to be compromised.

This default compliance behavior is best for production service but interferes with development testing.

Consider any of the following recommendations for a development environment:

- Use enterprise simulation mode for basic operations on the emulator. This requires no setup in the management console. For more information, see [Using enterprise simulation mode](#).
- Use a new Android emulator configuration with minimum API Level 26 that includes a Google Play system image. This configuration is not considered a rooted device.
- In the management console, configure and assign a new profile or policy set for development purposes, with the root detection setting disabled.

## Using enterprise simulation mode

During the development and testing of your BlackBerry Dynamics app, you can run the app in enterprise simulation mode to verify its execution and functionality. This mode simulates the user authentication process, so there is no direct communication with your organization's UEM server. As a result, a valid activation key is not required to activate the app.

Enterprise simulation mode runs the app on an Android virtual device (AVD) that is included in the SDK. Note that even though there is no communication with the management server, communication with the BlackBerry Dynamics NOC still occurs during the initial activation of the app. The BlackBerry Dynamics NOC must be accessible from your testing environment.

You will notice the following differences when you run the app in enterprise simulation mode:

- A [Simulated] label appears in the BlackBerry Dynamics Runtime user interface.
- Any email address and activation key (PIN) is accepted for enterprise activation.
- The provisioning and policy setup flow is only simulated in the UI.
- A hard-coded set of profiles and policies from the management server is applied. Authentication delegation is not supported.

You should also note the following:

- If you run an app that was built for enterprise simulation mode on an actual device and not on an emulator, the app will be wiped.
- If you try to change to simulation mode when the app is already installed on a device, the app will be wiped.
- Lost password recovery is not available.
- Inter-container Communication (ICC) cannot be used; as a result, the Shared Services Framework cannot be used.
- The Secure Storage, Secure Communication, and Push Channel APIs ([Android/iOS](#)) are all available in enterprise simulation mode. The communication APIs will not be able to connect to your organization's application servers through the BlackBerry Dynamics proxy infrastructure. You can make connections to your organization's application servers if, for example, the AVD is running on a computer on your organization's LAN or VPN.

## Enable enterprise simulation mode

In the `settings.json` file is located in the `../assets/` folder of the app, change `"GDLibraryMode" : "GDEnterprise"` to `"GDLibraryMode" : "GDEnterpriseSimulation"`.

**After you finish:** Revert this change when you are ready to compile your final production build.

## Troubleshooting common issues

Problem	Possible solution
App crashes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A crash in the early stages of the app lifecycle is most likely caused by a configuration issue. Review the errors printed in the logs for details.</li><li>• Initialize the BlackBerry Dynamics libraries before calling any other BlackBerry Dynamics API.</li></ul>
App crashes at startup	<p>This can occur if <code>android:maxSdkVersion</code> is specified in the <code>uses-permission</code> element in <code>AndroidManifest.xml</code> (for example, <code>&lt;uses-permission android:maxSdkVersion="25" android:name="android.permission.WAKE_LOCK"/&gt;</code>). If a permission is defined with this syntax and the app is run on a device with an API level higher than the <code>maxSdkVersion</code>, the app is not granted the permission at startup and crashes.</p> <p>Check the runtime merge process to identify and correct this issue.</p>
Provisioning error	<p>The email address or access key (PIN) has been incorrectly entered, or an old access key has been used. Double-check the credentials and, if necessary, send a new access key from the BlackBerry UEM management console.</p>

## Logging and diagnostics

The processing activity of the BlackBerry Dynamics Runtime is logged by the runtime itself. The activity log is written to the BlackBerry Dynamics secure container on the device after deployment. You can configure how your BlackBerry Dynamics apps generate console log information. For more information about console logs controlled by developers and container logs controlled by UEM administrators, see the BlackBerry Dynamics Runtime activity log appendix in the API reference ([Android/iOS](#)).

If your app uses SDK version 5.0 or later, and the UEM administrator has turned off “Enable detailed logging for BlackBerry Dynamics apps” in the BlackBerry Dynamics profile (UEM), the app does not generate console log information. This provides additional protection against attacks by malicious users. This change has no impact on how container logs are generated.

The “Enable detailed logging for BlackBerry Dynamics apps” setting is off by default.

For BlackBerry Dynamics apps running SDK version 5.0 or later, console logs are generated only if this setting is turned on or if the app is running in enterprise simulation mode.

## Configure logging for the Android Debug Bridge console

You can configure the message categories that are printed to the Android Debug Bridge (adb) console. You can configure the logging to be detailed or selective. Changes to the console logging configuration will be applied the next time the target is built and run. Changes made to console logging do not affect the container log.

1. Open the app's `assets/settings.json` file.
2. Perform one of the following actions:

Task	Steps
Configure detailed logging (print all messages)	<p>Add a <b>GDConsoleLogger</b> array attribute to the settings object or change the existing attribute to a single string element with a value of "GDFilterNone", as shown below:</p> <pre>... {   "GDLibraryMode": "GDEnterprise",   "GDApplicationID": "com.example.browser",   "GDApplicationVersion": "1.0.0.0",   "GDConsoleLogger": [ "GDFilterNone" ] } ...</pre>
Configure selective logging	<p>Add a <b>GDConsoleLogger</b> array attribute to the settings object or change the existing attribute to add one or more of the logging categories, as shown below:</p> <pre>... {   "GDLibraryMode": "GDEnterprise",   "GDApplicationID": "com.example.browser",   "GDApplicationVersion": "1.0.0.0",   "GDConsoleLogger": [     "GDFilterErrors_",     "GDFilterWarnings_",     "GDFilterInfo",     "GDFilterDetailed"   ] } ...</pre> <p>The log categories marked with an underscore ( <code>_</code> ) will be included and the others excluded. For example, in the example above, info and detailed log entries are filtered out and errors and warnings are included.</p>

## Monitoring app log uploads by device users

You can use the `GDLogManager` class ([Android/iOS](#)) to monitor app log file uploads that are initiated by your organization's device users. This class does not manage or display information about log uploads that are initiated by the UEM administrator, or by management console profiles or policies.

`GDLogManager` provides the following information:

- Upload size
- Amount of data uploaded



- Events that indicate the following states:
  - Upload completed
  - Upload abandoned or canceled
  - Upload suspended
  - Upload resumed after suspension
- Actions for managing a log upload (cancel, suspend, resume)
- Enable detailed logging with `detailedLoggingFor` ([Android/iOS](#))

When detailed logging is disabled by the management server profiles or policies, calling any API in the `GLogManager` class has no effect. It is a best practice to check this setting using the `getApplicationConfig` API ([Android/iOS](#)). If detailed logging is enabled, present the log upload progress UI or any other related UI.

### **Testing connectivity to application servers and diagnostic functions**

You can use the `GDDiagnostic` class to test connectivity to application servers and other diagnostic functions.

The `GreetingsClient` sample app that is provided with the SDK demonstrates how to use the `GDDiagnostic` class.

# Deploying your BlackBerry Dynamics app

Before you deploy your BlackBerry Dynamics app to your organization's production environment, you should test the app and the deployment process in a BlackBerry UEM environment that is reserved for development testing and evaluation. Coordinate with your organization's administrator to get access to a dedicated test environment.

BlackBerry Dynamics apps are fully supported for BlackBerry UEM. BlackBerry UEM is the recommended enterprise management solution to implement and use going forward, because it provides advanced app and user management features, advanced connectivity and networking options, expanded compliance and integrity checking, and the most recent BlackBerry Web Services REST APIs that your apps can leverage.

See the following resources for more information about distributing and managing your app in a BlackBerry UEM environment:

Task	Resource
Add your app to BlackBerry UEM and distribute it to users	See the following topics in the <i>BlackBerry UEM Administration Guide</i> : <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Apps</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Add an internal BlackBerry Dynamics app entitlement</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Managing BlackBerry Dynamics apps</a></li></ul>
Configure BlackBerry Dynamics profiles that impact app functionality	See the following topics in the <i>BlackBerry UEM Administration Guide</i> : <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Controlling BlackBerry Dynamics on users devices</a></li><li>• <a href="#">BlackBerry Dynamics profile settings</a></li><li>• <a href="#">BlackBerry Dynamics connectivity profile settings</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Using profiles to manage device features</a></li></ul>
Collect activity and compliance violation information for BlackBerry Dynamics apps	See the following topic in the <i>BlackBerry UEM Administration Guide</i> : <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Export a BlackBerry Dynamics app report to a CSV file</a></li></ul>

## Configuring library version compliance

In a compliance profile or compliance policy, an administrator can enable the BlackBerry Dynamics library version verification compliance rule to specify an enforcement action if a BlackBerry Dynamics app is using a version of the BlackBerry Dynamics library that is not permitted. The available enforcement actions are "Do not allow BlackBerry Dynamics apps to run" and "Delete BlackBerry Dynamics app data."

In UEM, by default the BlackBerry Dynamics library version verification compliance rule is not selected and all versions are permitted. An administrator can enable this option and select specific versions to disallow.

## Implementing a method to back up app data

The default method that the Android OS provides for automatically backing up app data is partially compatible with BlackBerry Dynamics, but has limitations for what can be saved. Also, with the default backup you will require an unlock key after any data restore.

You can modify the automatic backup method to be compatible with BlackBerry Dynamics, or you can turn off the automatic backup and implement a different option for backing up app data. For more information about your options and implementation instructions, see the [Android Auto Backup](#) appendix in the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for Android API Reference.

## Using an obfuscation tool in your build and release process

After your app is fully tested and ready to deploy, it is recommended that you use an obfuscation tool as part of your formal build and release process. It is a best practice to use ProGuard because it is the default obfuscation tool for Android.

For more information about the code obfuscation configuration and sample code that you can use, see the [Build-Time Configuration](#) appendix in the BlackBerry Dynamics SDK for Android API Reference.

The BlackBerry Dynamics SDK uses Platform APIs, some of which rely on an API level later than the current [minimum supported API level](#). A target SDK below the latest API level might throw warnings. The BlackBerry Dynamics SDK ensures that the appropriate runtime checks are made before it attempts to use an API. You can ignore warnings about APIs that aren't found in BlackBerry Dynamics SDK classes with `-dontwarn com.good.gd.`

# Deploying certificates to BlackBerry Dynamics apps

You can use any of the following options to deploy certificates to BlackBerry Dynamics apps. Each method requires configuration in the management console. Coordinate with your organization's administrator to select and configure the desired option.

Option	For more information
Personal Information Exchange files	See <a href="#">Using Personal Information Exchange files</a> in this section.
CA certificate profile	See <a href="#">Sending CA certificates to devices and apps</a> in the <i>UEM Administration Guide</i> .
User credential profile	See <a href="#">Sending client certificates to devices and apps using user credential profiles</a> in the <i>UEM Administration Guide</i> .
SCEP profile	See <a href="#">Sending client certificates to devices and apps using SCEP</a> in the <i>UEM Administration Guide</i> .
Shared certificate profile	See <a href="#">Sending the same client certificate to multiple devices</a> in the <i>UEM Administration Guide</i> .

After certificates are distributed to a user's device, those certificates are shared and used by all of the BlackBerry Dynamics apps on the device. No additional programming is required by the app developer to support client certificates.

The management server and BlackBerry Dynamics apps also support the use of Kerberos for service authentication. For more information, see [Using Kerberos](#) in this section.

The SDK also provides a Crypto C language programming interface that allows an app to retrieve public key certificates that are stored in the BlackBerry Dynamics credentials store and use those certificates for signing and verification of messages and documents such as PDFs. Note that BlackBerry Infrastructure certificates cannot be retrieved from the store and that the private key will remain inaccessible. For more information, see the Crypto C Programming Interface appendix ([Android/iOS](#)) in the API reference.

## Using Personal Information Exchange files

An organization can deploy corporate services that require two-way SSL/TLS authentication for users. A user is issued a password-protected Personal Information Exchange file (PKCS12 format, .p12 or .pfx) containing an SSL/TLS client certificate and a private key. This file can be provided to BlackBerry Dynamics apps to grant access to secure corporate services.

The BlackBerry Dynamics SDK supports the use of Personal Information Exchange files to authenticate BlackBerry Dynamics apps and to access secure services. All of the required operations to support client certificates are carried out by the BlackBerry Dynamics Runtime, with no additional programming required to handle the authentication challenge. For more information on how this is handled, refer to *HttpViewController.swift* in the [Dynamics-iOS-Swift sample app](#). The app can use client certificates if:

- The app uses the BlackBerry Dynamics Secure Communication Networking APIs.
- The device user's UEM account is [configured to support certificates](#).
- The certificates satisfy the [certificate requirements](#).

After a user activates a BlackBerry Dynamics app, the app receives the Personal Information Exchange files. For each file, the user is prompted to provide the issued password so that the files and identification material can be installed. When this process is complete, the app can access the server resources that require two-way SSL/TLS authentication.

If more than one Personal Information Exchange file is required per user, the BlackBerry Dynamics Runtime selects the appropriate certificate using the following criteria:

1. Only client certificates that are suitable for SSL/TLS client authentication are eligible to send to the server. Certificates must have no Key Usage or Extended Key Usage, or Key Usage that contains "Digital Signature" or "Key Agreement", or Extended Key Usage that contains "TLS Web Client Authentication". Key Usages and Extended Key Usages must not contradict allowances for SSL/TLS client authentication.
2. If the server advertises the client certificate authority in the SSL/TLS handshake, only client certificates that have been issued by that authority are considered.
3. Expired certificates and certificates that are not yet valid cannot be selected.
4. If more than one certificate satisfies the above criteria, the BlackBerry Dynamics Runtime selects the most recently issued certificate.

## Configuring support for client certificates

Certificate support is configured in the management console by the administrator. Contact your organization's administrator to configure certificate support for BlackBerry Dynamics apps.

For more information about configuring certificate support in BlackBerry UEM, see the following:

- [Manage settings for a BlackBerry Dynamics app](#) in the *UEM Administration Guide*
- [Sending certificates to devices using profiles](#) in the *UEM Administration Guide*
- [Connect BlackBerry UEM to a BlackBerry Dynamics PKI Connector](#) in the *UEM Administration Guide*

## Certificate requirements

- Client certificates must be in PKCS12 format, with the Certificate Authority (CA), public key, and private key in the same file.
- The PKCS12 file must have a .p12 or .pfx extension
- The PKCS12 file must be password-protected
- The source of the certificate can be your own internal CA, a well-known public CA, or an online tool such as OpenSSL or the Java keytool. You can use the following keytool example to generate a certificate, substituting your own values as required:

```
keytool -genkeypair -alias good123 -keystore good123.pfx -storepass good123 -
validity 365 -keyalg RSA -keysize 2048 -storetype pkcs12
```

- If the organization's security policy uses FIPS standards, Personal Information Exchange files must be encrypted with FIPS-strength ciphers. If Personal Information Exchange files use a weak cipher, which is common for third-party applications when exporting identity material, you can use a tool like OpenSSL to re-encrypt the files with a FIPS-strength cipher. See the following example:

```
openssl pkcs12 -in weak.p12 -nodes -out decrypted.pem
<enter password>
openssl pkcs12 -export -in decrypted.pem -keypbe AES-128-CBC -certpbe
AES-128-CBC -out strong.p12
<enter password>
rm decrypted.pem
```

## Using Kerberos

BlackBerry Dynamics apps support both Kerberos PKINIT with PKI certificates and Kerberos Constrained Delegation. Kerberos PKINIT and Kerberos Constrained Delegation are distinct implementations of Kerberos. You can support one or the other for BlackBerry Dynamics apps, but not both.

With Kerberos PKINIT, authentication occurs directly between the BlackBerry Dynamics app and the Windows Key Distribution Center (KDC). User authentication is based on certificates that are issued by Microsoft Active Directory Certificate Services. No additional programming is required by the app developer to use Kerberos PKINIT.

With Kerberos Constrained Delegation, authentication is based on a trust relationship between the management server (BlackBerry UEM and a KDC. The management server communicates with the service on behalf of the app.

For more information about how to configure the desired Kerberos implementation in UEM, including requirements and prerequisites, see [Configuring Kerberos for BlackBerry Dynamics apps](#) in the *UEM Administration Guide*.

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